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—— *Fort St. George, June 1754* ——

Recd by Pattamar General Letter from Anjengo dated 8th. Ultº. — 4TH.

Sailed Brigantine Maldive, Francis Corneira for Bengall. —

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort Stt. David dated this day. —

Sailed Snow Northumberland Joseph Howard for Bengall. — 5TH.

Dº. Sloop Neptune, Andrew Young for Bengal. —

Dº. Sloop Malacca, William Kenedy for Bengal. — 6TH.

Arrived the Honble Company's Ship Triton Captain Gilbert Slater from England bound to this coast and China with a packet for this Presidency, Messrs. John Buvieau, Samuel Blont and John Mapletoft Supra Cargo's and Mr. Samuel Johnson Writer for this Establishment Passengers. — 8TH.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY THE 8TH [at]TWO O'CLOCK.

Packet from England [illegible] Triton opened.

The packet from the Honble Court of Directors by their Ship Triton being opened compared with the List and found agreeable thereto, The General Letter therein contained dated 19th. December 1753 and also the List of Goods to be provided on this coast dated the same day are read.

Order sign'd to deliver Treasure &ca.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Gilbert Slater, for the delivery of the Treasure Military, Wares & Stores on board the Triton consign'd to this Presidency.

Committee of Treasure [to] examine & report.

The Committee of Treasury are to examine and weigh the Treasure and send it to the Mint to be coined as usual.

Paragraph to be extracted for subordinates &ca.

A Paragraph of the Genl. Letter to be hung up in the offices.

ORDERED that the several paragraphs in the General Letter and also the directions in the List of Investment, relating to particular Employs or to the subordinate settlements, be extracted, delivered to whom they may concern and to be sent to the several Subordinacy's and particularly [that]the 45th. paragraph relating to the General conduct and Mo[rality] of the Company's Servants, be hung up in the several office[s] and that a day be set apart once in every quarter or oftener for the enquiry therein directed to be made.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* —

General Letter from Tellicherry read.

Nº. 107 General Letter from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry dated the 8th. May advising the receipt of our Letter of the 21st. April enclosing a packet from Bombay and acquainting us that they had recd Orders from their Superiors to send us by any opportunity's that may offer a detachment of fifty *Topasses, but the season being late they apprehend it will not be in their power to procure any Sea Conveyance.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

8TH. In the evening arrived the Honble Company's Ship Onslow Captain Thomas Hinde from England bound to this place and China with a packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency, Messrs. Thomas Thomson, Thomas Sandys and Benjamin Torin Supra Cargo's passengers.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SUNDAY MORNING THE 9TH.

Packet from England p Onslow opened.

Captain Hinde being come on shore with the packet from our Honble Masters the same is now opened and compared with the List and being found agreeable thereto, the General Letter and List of Goods to be provided on this coast on examination appear to be Duplicate of those recd and read yesterday by the Triton.

Order sign'd to deliver the Treasure &ca.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Thomas Hinde for the delivery of the Treasure, Military Wares and Stores on board the Onslow, consign'd to this Presidency.

Committee to examine Treasure.

The Committee of Treasury are to examine and weigh the Treasure and send it to be coined as usual.

A chest of Gold to be coin'd into Mss. Pagods.

There being one chest of Gold by this Ship and the season being at hand for supplying the Northern Settlements AGREED that it be coined into Madrass Pagodas for that purpose.

Protector from Bby. arrived at St. David with Mility.

The President acquaints the Board that he is inform'd by private advices of the arrival of the Honble Company's Ship Protector at Fort St. David from Bombay with a detachment of Military.

to be sent hither.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to dispatch that ship with Military hither immediately.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

*Indo-Portuguese employed as soldiers by the E.I. Company.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* —

9TH. Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David agreeable to Order of Consultation this day.

10 Sailed Brigantine Hyderebux Beemejee Noquedah for Bengall.

Do. sloop Mercury Antony Nunes for Bengal.

— Recd by Tappies General Letter from St. David dated 7th. Inst.

— Arrived the Honble Company's Ship Protector Captain Willm. James from Bombay last from Fort St. David with a detachment of Military and General Letters from both those Settlements, the first dated the 20th. May the other the 8th. Instant.

— Arrived the Honble Company's Ship Essex Captain George Jackson from England, bound to this Coast & China with a packet for this presidency from the Honble Court of Directors, Mr. Willm. Fead Supra Cargo, Captains Alexr. Callender and Thos. White and Lieuts. Thos. Newton and William Jennings, passengers.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOR PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 10TH.

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Hospital reported. Mr. Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just cause of Complaint.

General Letters read from Bombay. General Letters read Vizt.

No. 108 from the President and Council of Bombay dated 20th. May, acquainting us that agreeable to their former advices they had intended dispatching to us the Winchelsea and Montfort with the remainder of the detachment design'd for Us, but as they were oblig'd to send them on Freight to Surat, they dispatch the Protector, Commodore James to Us in Stead and put on board her 59 Europeans and two Compys of seapoys containing 100 Men each, a List of whom with account provisions &ca. supply'd them they enclose as also a List of Officers on that Establishment sent on command to Us, who are to be promoted as vacancies may happen according to the Rank therein placed. That Captain Andrew Armstrong is to have the command of the Seapoys they send us, but that is not to prevent his promotion in the Military. That as the Officers sent on command to us made a voluntary tender of their service they desire We will promote them as vacancys may happen with us if it can can be done without prejudice to others of the same Rank on Our Establishment, that in case the Gentlemen at Tellicherry and Anjengo should send us any Topasses they are to be incorporated in the Company commanded by Captain Forbes. That they send us by the Protector two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) Rupees which they desire us to forward to Bengal, also the amot. of Bill for 25000 Rupees on Gocane Pusotom of this place that they also send us by the Protector one hundred three Inch Plank that they desire the Protector may be return'd to them as soon as possible so as to arrive there in August, that they proposed sending us some Gunpowder, but desist because the Gentlemen at Bengal having acquainted them that they intended to supply Us.

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Fort St. David.

Nº. 109 and Nº. 110 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 7th. Instant advising the arrival of the Protector Commadore James from Bombay with 56 Military and two hundred and thirty Seapoys which they have landed, but as the Deputy Govr. informs them the Major has form'd a New plan for the disposal of the expected Troops they shall wait our directions, as well as in relation to 40 Men of Captn. Zeigler's Company which was forc'd back there, that one of the Boats with the Detachment going to DeveCotah which was missing, was taken up at sea by the Elizabeth Captain Massey, and another with Captain Zeigler was driven to Sadrass. The other Letter is dated the 8th. Instant acquainting us that in receit, of Our Letter of the 5th. they dispatch'd the Protector to us with the Mility and Seapoys she brought together with 40 Men of 'Captain Zeiglers Party that were drove back fm. DeveCotah & they have directed Captn. James in case he shd. meet ye. St. George in his passage to take out the Mility on board her & they have sent an Order to Captain Robinson after he has delivered the Men to proceed directly thither as they are in great want of the Money and Stores on board her that they desire our further directions in regard to landing the Recruits from Europe. That Captn. Gaupp takes his passage on the Protector. That the Bombay seapoys being in great want of money their Military Paymaster had advanced them eighty Rupees.

Order for delivery of Treasure &ca. ℔ Protecr.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain William James for the delivery of the Military Treasure and plank on board the Protector for this Presidency.

Bombay officers cannot be promoted in our Establishment.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Bombay be advised that we cannot promote their officers on Our Establishment without disgusting the whole Corps which inconvenience we foresaw and took notice of when we requested a supply of officers, but that we shall be very ready to serve them on every other occasion.

Paper provided in China turns out dear.

Mr. Alexander Wynch acquaints the Board that having last year by Order of the Board sent by Mr. Mackay to China a Muster of paper of a particular size to be made for the Company's use agreeable to the desire of Mr. Brohier, the same is now arrived on one of the Mocao Ships but by reason of the extraordinary dimensions turns out much dearer than it was imagined it would when the Orders were given, the prime cost in China being three hundred Tales for 10,000 Sheets besides 20 ℔ Cent freight which the Mocoa people demand AGREED that the said paper be taken for the Company as it was really ordered and intended for their account and use.

Surgeon of the Protector requests Head Money for Mility from Bby.

Letter from Mr. John Isherwood Surgeon of the Stafford read as entered hereafter requesting a Gratuity for his care and attendance on the Military brought in that ship from Bombay.

referr'd him.

Recourse being had to the Consultation in the Year 1747 when a detachment was brought from Bby in the Ship Ilchester and as it does not appear thereby that any allowance was then made, 'tis AGREED to submit the same to the pleasure of Our Honble Masters.

THE SAME DAY AT FOUR of the CLOCK
IN THE AFTERNOON.
Present
as Before

Packet from England ℔ Essex open'd.

Captn. Jackson being come on shore with the packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency the same is now open'd & found to contain the several papers mention'd in the List thereof, the General Letter

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and List of Investment therein contained being of the same Tenour and date as those already received by the Triton and Onslow, the several other papers being also perused, amongst the rest is now read copy of the Hoñble Court of Directors their General Letter to the Gentlemen of Fort Marlbrõ dated 28th. November last.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Jackson for the delivery of the Treasure, Military, Wares and Stores on board the Essex consign'd to this Presidency. Order sign'd for the delivery of Treasure &ca. ℔ Essex.

The Committee of Treasury are to examine and weigh the Treasure and send the same to the Mint as usual. Tresure to be weighed.

This packet containing an account of the Ioner Weight & assays of coins recd. from hence in 1753 mentioned in 33d. Parã of the General Letter, where the inequality in the weight of Arcot Rupees is particularly recommended to Our attention. Accot. Ioner weights & assay of coins to be sent to the Assay Mastr. & his answer requir'd.

ORDERED that a copy thereof be sent to the Assay Mastr. and that he be required to give in his answer to the Board in relation thereto.

Henry Powney Impo. Warehousekr. pays in seven thousand four hundred and five Pagodas, fourteen fanams and forty eight Cash (7405. 14. 48) for Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

AGREED that thirteen thousand four hundred and five Pagodas, fourteen fanams and forty eight Cash (13405. 14. 48) be advanc'd the Comissary to defray the charges of the Troops abroad. advance to the Commissary. &

AND that one thousand (1000) Pagodas be advanc'd the Military Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ. Milĩty. Paymr.

THOS. SAUNDERS. AR. WYNCH.
CHAS. BODDAM. JOHN SMITH.
HENRY POWNEY. CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Hoñble President and Council of Bombay having shipp'd on board the Stafford (John Green Commr. and of which I am surgeon) a Detachment of fifty two Men, and 162 having been taken in a Tellicherry. I had the care of the whole during the passage to this place and as many of them fell sick and lame in this time, I constantly gave them the same attendance and Medicines as our people belonging to the Ship, wherefore I beg leave to refer it to your Honour &ca. Council's consideration, and request such a Gratuity as your Honour shall think reasonable.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum. Servt.
JOHN ISHERWOOD.

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11TH. Sail'd the Honble Companys Ship Stafford, John Green for Canton.

— Arrived ship St. Catharina, Carlode Langs from Porto Novo.

— Do. Ketch Bon Voyage Lewis Caldeire from Pulliacat.

— Recd. by Pattamars General Letters from Ingeram and Madapollam, the first dated 24th. May, the second 27th. May.

12 Recd. by Tappies General Letter from DevcCotah dated 8th. Instant.

— Sent by Boat, with 1000 Baggs of Rice to Vizagapatam General Letter of this date.

13 Recd. by Pattamar General Letter from Fort St. David dated 11th. Instant.

— Sent by Boat with 1200 Baggs of Rice to Vizagapatam Letter from the Secretary of this date.

— Arrived the Honble Compys. Ship True Briton, Captn. Henry Broadley from England bound to this Coast and China with a Packet from the Honble Court of Directors, Messrs. John Henry Meyers and Joseph Darke Ensigns for this Establishment, Passengers.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 13TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Packet from Engld. & True Briton open'd.

The packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by their Ship True Briton being opened and found agreeable to the List thereof, the General Letter and List of Investment with sundry other papers being examin'd appear to be of the same Tenour as those already received by the Ships Triton, Onslow and Essex.

Order sign'd to deliver Treasure &ca. Bales to be shifted from the True Briton to St. George without landing.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Broadley for the delivery of the Treasure, Military, Wares and Stores on board the True Briton Consign'd to this Presidency, but as the Broad Cloth on board the True Briton is to be sent to the Bay on the St. George it is AGREED that it be transported from one ship to the other without landing it as soon as the St. George returns from St. David which will save time and expose the Bales less to Damage by avoiding the surf.

Treasure to be examin'd.

The Committee of Treasure are to examine and weigh the Treasure, send it to the Mint to be coin'd and Report as usual.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

General Letters read from.

The Minutes of Consultations dated ye. 8th. 9, & 10th. Instant read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

Ingeram.

No. 111 from Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated the 24th. Ulto. acknowledging the receipt of Our letter of the 8th. Ulto. and advising that the Don Carlos which was drove out of Our Road arrived there and the several stores consign'd on her have been landed, that on the 21st. Ulto. a party of the Morattas appeared between Ingeram and Yanum plundering and mangleing every person that fell in their way, upon which he detach'd a party of thirty Seapoys to

prevent those Barbarity's, on whose appearance they rode away, that they have laid most of the Towns and villages thereabouts in ashes, and are now gone towards Rajahmundrum in Order to pass into Totapauk Country, that he is advised by Mr. Pigot that the Rajah and French havg. advanc'd near the Morattas, the latter fell unexpectedly on an advanc'd party of 20 Europeans and two Companys of Seapoys with a field piece, cut 16 of the Europeans in pieces and drove the Seapoys to the Main Body and then retreated with the loss of fifty Horse, the Rajah after this attack decamp'd leaving 2 Guns nailed up and sometime after offered the Morattas two Lacks of Rupees to leave the country which they rejected, and then march'd towards Ingeram, after plundering which country 'tis imagined they will return and accept the Rajah's offer, that in consequence of our Orders he is endeavouring to procure a vessell to embark the Company's Effects on Cloth on hand 203 Corge 11 pieces and 119 Bales.

from Bandaramalanka.

Nº. 112 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandaramalanka dated the 27th. Ultº. acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 8th. Instant and acquainting us that as the Morattas are daily expected he had before hired a vessell and put the Company's Effects on board, that the Morattas had made their appearance in that Neighbourhood, plundering and burning wherever they passed and using the utmost Barbarity, but as the avenues to that place were guarded by Military and Seapoys they did not attempt to Force them which was fortunate as his ammunition could not have held out long, requesting therefore a supply of Military, Stores and Ammunition, that in case of another attempt he may be better provided for his defence.

from Deve Cotah.

Nº. 113 from Mr. Charles Hopkins at DeveCotah dated the 8th. Instant acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 29th. and expressing his concern that any part of his conduct should draw on him Our censure which he will carefully endeavour to avoid, and acquaints. us that thro' hurry of Business he omitted to advise us of his having sent 163 seapoys with Captn. Pigou's party, which were all he had above three hundred, the Number we have limitted for his Garrison enclosing Estimates of sundry Repairs and assuring us of his caution in using the discretionary power We have given him in regard to Palam Cotah, but requests our further direction for protecting that place in case of an attack as the Killedar pleads poverty.

from Fort St. David.

Nº. 114 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 11th. Instant, acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 31st. Ultº. and acquainting us that they shall land and dispose of the 30 pipes of Madeira from the St. George agreeable to Our directions, that Captain Robinson delivered his Military to Captain James of the Protector except Captain Zeigler and one of his Lieutenants who were to proceed to DeveCotah that evening as also Mr. Call to survey the Fortifications and Gun Carriages that Mr. Andrew Newton was to set out that day for Tanjour and that they had advanc'd him three hundred Pagodas which they should Debt us for.

St. David to be wrote to, to return the St. George and send us some Camp Kettles and Tents.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at St. David be directed to send the St. George back hither with the utmost Expedition that she may receive the Bales from the True Briton and proceed directly to the Bay and that they be directed to take that opportunity of sending us all the Camp Kettles and Tents for Officers private Men and Arms that they can spare, and in case the St. George should be sailed then to send them by Boats.

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Pattamars to be dispatch'd to Bombay Tellicherry & Anjengo with a packet from Europe for the former also. One for Bengal to be sent.

AGREED that Pattamars be dispatch'd to Bombay with the packet rec̃. from the Hoñble Court of Directors for that Presidency by the Essex, also to Tellicherry and Anjengo advising the arrival of the shipping, and that by the first Sea Conveyance for Bengal the packet for that Presidency received also by the Essex be forwarded and that the packets for those Presidencys recd̃. by the True Briton be sent by the first conveyance except those on which the abovemention'd packets, and those expected by the Ilchester be forwarded.

Ammunition arms & warlike stores to be sent to Bandarmalanka and 2 field pieces.

AGREED that two three pounder Iron Guns with one hundred stand of small Arms and a proper supply of ammunition and warlike stores be sent to Mr. Andrews at Bandarmalanka by the first conveyance.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

13TH. Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

Late in the Evening anchored in the Road the Hon̄ble Company's Ship Ilchester, Captain John Tedd from England for this coast and China with a Packet from the Hon̄ble Court of Directors for this Presidency, Messrs. Waldegrave Pelham and James Broadbent Writers, and Captain George Beaver, Lieutents. John Tabby and Robert Campbell, and Messrs. John Nollekness and William James Tabby Cadets, Passengers.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY THE 14TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Packet from Engld. & Ilchester open'd.

Captain Tedd being come on shore with the packet from the Hon̄ble Court of Directors for this Presidency, the same is now opened and compared with its List, and being found agreeable thereto the General Letter, List of Investment &ca. are perused and found to be of the same Tenour with those already received by the other Coast and China ships.

Order sign'd to deliver Treasure &ca.

An order is now sign'd to Captain Tedd for the delivery of the Treasure, Military, Wares and Stores on board the Ilchester consign'd to this Presidency.

Treasure to be weighed &ca.

ORDERED that the Treasure be weigh'd, reported and sent to the Mint as usual for the Committee of Treasury.

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ORDERED that the packets for the Gentlemen at Bengal and Bombay recd from Europe in the Packet ℔ Ilchester be forwarded by the first conveyances except those on which the packets for those Presidencys recd. by the Essex and True Briton may be sent. Packets for Bengal & Bombay to be forwarded.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated 14th. Inst. 14TH.

Sent by Pattamars General Letters to the Presidt. and Council of Bombay. —

To the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry } all dated this day. —
To the Chief & Factors at Anjengo }

Sent by Boat to Vizagapatam with seven hundred and nine Baggs of Rice, General Letter of this date. —

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to DeveCotah dated this day. 15TH.

Recd by Tappies Do. from Do. dated 11th. June. 16TH.

Sign'd General Letter of this date to the President and Council of Bengal, to go by the Charles Snow Captn. Mitchell. —

Sign'd General Letters to Vizagapatam and Madapollam of this date to go by the Charles Snow, Captn. Mitchell. 17

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT. MONDAY THE 17TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of Consultation dated the 13th. and 14th. Instant read & sign'd.

Mr. Charles Bourchier reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

No. 115 General Letter from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 11th. acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 5th. Instant and assuring us of his complyance therewith but that he has, as yet heard nothing of the St. George, That Captains Polier and Howe and Messrs. Boswell and Donavan are arrived there from Tanjour in their way to St. David. General Letter from Deve Cotah read.

Letter from Mr. Dawson Drake read as enter[ed] hereafter, representing that he should have waited on the Board before in consequence of their Orders of some time [past] but that he has been prevented by Illness and assuring the Board of his readiness to obey their Orders and execute his Duty in all respects relating to the Honble Company's Aff[airs.]. Letter from Mr. Dawsonne Drake.

AGREED that Mr. Dawson Drake be station'd in the Employ of under Export Wareho.keeper. Appointed under the Export Waere-housekr.

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Letter from Captain George Gardner read entered hereafter, setting forth that the Bombay Detach[ment] being in want of Cloathing in the year 1752 he was ordered by Major Lawrence to supply them as they had not been cloathed before for 4 years and could not have taken the field without, requesting therefore to be paid the moneys advanced by him on this account being one hundred & twenty five Pagodas, twenty eight fanams as ℔ account entered hereafter.

Letter from Captain George Gardner desiring to be repaid for cloathing the Bombay Detachment in 1752,

ORDERED that the Military Paymaster discharge the same.

Granted.

Letter from Captain Roderick Forbes read as entered hereafter, representing the necessity he must be under of having a Horse as well as his Adjutant as their Duty must continually call them in all parts and submitting the same to the consideration of the Board.

Captain Forbes desires that he and his Adjut. may be allowed Horses.

Letter from Captain Andrew Armstrong read as entered hereafter, representing that the Presid[t]. and Council of Bombay, having appointed him Captn. and Commander of the Bombay Seapoys without annexing any additional pay to it, he requests the Board will make him such allowance as they shall think proper, as the command of such irregular Troops cannot be executed without great additional Trouble and Expence.

Captain Armstrong requests some additional allowances as Commr. of the seapoys.

AGREED that Captain Forbes, his Adjutant and Quarter Master, and Captain Armstrong have each of them the usual allowance for a Horse untill their Junction with the army, and that it be then left to Major Lawrence to regulate in such manner as may not disturb the good Harmoney amongst the Officers by granting greater priviledges to one than to the others.

They are all to be allowed Horses till they arrive at Camp & then the Major to regulate.

Petition of Captain George Frederick Gaupp read as entered hereafter requesting that the off reckonings for the Men of his Company mustered at DeveCotah be paid him and that in future the Paymasters may pay the off reckonings every Month. That he may have the same allowance for a Horse for all the time he has served the Company, as the Captains are allowed at S[t]. David, That an Ensigns Commission now Vacant in his Company may be granted to M[r]. Jaeger a Voluntier.

Petition of Captain Gaupp to be paid his off reckonings— to be allowed a horse and recommends an Ensign.

AGREED that the Off reckonings be paid as requested. That not only Captain Gaupp have no allowance for an Horse, but that it be struck off from the Captains at Fort S[t]. David as the Captains at this Presidency have never been indulg'd with it, and that the Commission be granted to M[r]. Jaeger and bare date the 10[th]. Instant.

Granted except the Horse the allowances for the Captns. at St. David for Horses to be discontinued.

Messrs. Wynch and Bourchier deliver in as entered hereafter their Report of sundry broken, decay'd and worn out stores.

Report survey of the Broken and decay'd stores.

ORDERED that they be sold at Outcry for what they can fetch.

To be sold at outcry.

Letter from M[r]. John Brohier read as entered hereafter accompanying an Indent for sundry stores wanted for the use of the Honble Company's Works for the year 1754.

Indent for sundries for the Works.

ORDERED that it be referr'd to the Committee for conducting the Works to provide the same in the most advantageous manner for the Company.

to be provided by the Committee.

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Petition of Mr. Alexander Fraser Surgeon of the Triton read as entered hereafter praying the usual allowance for his care of the Military Recruits brought from England and landed here being thirty four.

Surgeon of the Triton requests the usual Gratuity for 34 Military recruits landed her.

ORDERED that the Military Paymaster do discharge the same if on due enquiry whether the Men were properly attended in the voyage there shall not appear any reasonable Cause of complaint.

Granted.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that on receiving an advance of 1500 Pagodas in Febry. last to provide Redwood against the arrival of the China Ship, he contracted for one thousand Candy to be delivered in the Months of May and June under the penalty of five hundred Pagodas in case of failure, but as yet no more than one Boat Load is arrived.

Redwood for the China ships not all yet arrived.

ORDERED that in case the Redwood should arrive in time for the China Ships it be equally divided amongst them, but in case the contractors should fail to deliver the full quantity in time for the dispatch of the said Ships, that they be obliged to pay to the Company the difference between the contract price and the China Market price by the last price current recd. from thence.

Order thereon.

The settling of the DeveCotah Books having been protracted from time to time under various pretences the Board are determin'd to admit of no further delays and it is therefore ORDERED that Mr. George Dawson who had the charge of that settlement from the time Mr. Pybus left it 'till Mr. Hopkins's arrival, take the first opportunity of proceeding thither to assist Mr. Hopkins in adjusting and compleating them forthwith under pain of suspension from the Honble Company's service.

Mr. Dawson to go to DeveCotah to settle the Books of the settlemt. with Mr. Hopkins.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board Indents for Stores and necessaries for the use of the Honble Compys Ship Protector ORDERED that they be complied with.

Indents for the Protector to be complied with.

The Import Warehousekr. reports that the Honble Company's Broad Cloth was again put up at outcry the 12th. Instant agreeable to Order of Consultation but no bidders appear'd even for a single Bale.

Broad Cloth put up the 12th did not sell.

ORDERED that it be put up Monthly 'till sold.

to be put up Monthly.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board as entered hereafter an account sale of fifty pipes of the Honble Company's Madeira Wine imported ℔ St. George amounting to three thousand three hundred and eighty three pagodas (3383) which on an average is about sixty seven pagodas and an half ℔ Pipe.

Accot. sale Madeira wine read.

ORDERED that Messrs. Samuel Johnson, Waldegrave Pelham and James Broadbent writers for this Establishment lately arrived be station'd for the present under the Secretary untill the arrivall of Messrs. Macarmick, Dowset and Hamilton, when a fresh disposition may be made.

Messrs. Johnson Pelham & Broadbent station'd in the Secrys office for the present.

Letter from Mr. Daniel Morse Register of the Mayors Court read as entered hereafter being in reply to a Letter from the Secretary dated 28th. May on the subject of one received from the Register dated the 7th. and read the 13th. but not entered after Consultation for the reasons mention'd in the Secretary's Letter (to which an answer is now draughted to be sign'd by the Secretary. And altho' the Board were of opinion as may appear by the Secretary's Letter of the 28th. Ulto.) that the Registers Letter of the 7th. was improper to be entered with their proceedings, as being in their opinion inconsistant with the Charter, yet that it may appear the Remarks called partial by the Mayors

Letter from the Mayor's Court and proceedings thereon.

court, are not so, but that the Intentions of the Board are only to act conformable to the Charter and not to impugn the Resolutions of the Mayors Court where they are not invested with power to do so, it is now ordered that the Letter from the Register dated the 7th.—The Letter from the Secretary in answer thereto dated the 28th.—The Letter from the Register in reply now read dated the 10th. Instant and the Secretys answer thereto of this date be all entered after the Minutes of this Consultation for the perusal of our Honble Masters, AND further to set this matter in a clear Light, the Board think proper to observe that the first part of the Registers Letter of the 7th. whereof no notice was taken in the Secretary's answer and which on that account is now taxed with partiality, is so far from invalidating the argument offer[ed] to prove the impropriety of the Registers said Letter of the 7th. that it greatly enforces it, for it is there said that Mr. Fairfield had represented his being ordered to a station at Fort St. David render'd it impossible for him to give any further attendance at the Court, thus far is perfectly conformable to the Charter and would have been sufficient, nor had the Board any objection to it, but to what follows, by which it seems as if the Mayors Court did not think the express direction of the Charter, even tho' it were there signify'd to them of force sufficient to vacate Mr. Fairfields place but that their leave to resign was also essential which necessarily implies that without such leave, the place could not be vacated. The Idea which arises when these two circumstances are opposed to each other is very wide from what is insinuated by the Charge of Mutilation, for if the first part of the Letter is agreeable to the directions of the Charter and yet disregarded by the Mayors Court in their Resolution, and if the latter part is inconsistant with the Charter and yet admitted by them surely a mention of the former part can only serve to set the Error of the latter in a more glaring light.

Lack of Rups. remitted St. David by Bill.

AGREED that a Lack of Rupees be remitted to St. David by Bills if procurable.

Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas on his running account.

Commissary advanc'd. Military Paymr. advanc'd.

AGREED that two thousand two hundred (2200) Pagodas be advanc'd the Commissary for a remittance to camp, and that one thousand (1000) Pagodas be advanc'd to the Military Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ.

Rolls from Ren Gen. Scavenger signd.

Charles Bourchier Rental General and Scavenger lays before the Board the Roll of those Revenues to be collected for the Year commencing 1st. September 1752 and ending 31st. August 1753, which is sign'd the amount thereof being Vizt.

Quit Rents	Pags.	1569	3
Scavengers Duty		748	10
PAGODAS ...		2317	13

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AS. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANYS MADEI[RA] WINE AT PUBLICK OUTCRY.

Time of sale.	Quality of y°. Goods.		Lot or Quantity.	Invoice price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.		To whom sold.
June 13th. 1754.	Madeira Wine	..	Pipes 1.	Pagodas.	Pagodas 60		Pagodas	63	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			62	M[r]. Powney.
			D°.		D°.			63	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			62	D°.
			D°.		D°.			63	Captain Brohier.
			D°.		D°.			64	Greg. Jacob.
			D°.		D°.			67	M[r]. Vansittart.
			D°.		D°.			67	Capt[n]. Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			68	M[r]. Munro.
			D°.		D°.			67	M[r]. Powney.
			D°.		D°.			67	Shawmeir.
			D°.		D°.			66	M[r]. Norris.
			D°.		D°.			68	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			69	M[r]. Vansittart.
			D°.		D°.			69	Hendrick Smith.
			D°.		D°.			68	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			69	M . Troutback.
			D°.		D°.			70	M[r]. Stratton.
			D°.		D°.			69	M[r]. Munro.
			D°.		D°.			69	Cap[n]. Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			70	D°.
			D°.		D°.			69	M[r]. Stratton.
			D°.		D°.			67	M[r]. Norris.
			D°.		D°.			69	Captain Brohier.
			D°.		D°.			67	M[r]. Nicholas.
			D°.		D°.			67	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			68	Ditto.
			D°.		D°.			68	M[r]. Ridley.
			D°.		D°.			68	M[r]. Troutback.
			D°.		D°.			68	Captain Morgan.
			D°.		D°.			69	Ditto.
		Carried over	31 pipes				Carried over	3080	

Time of sale.	Quality of ye. Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice price.	Price put up at	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
	Brought forward	31				3080	
June 13th. 1754.	Madeira Wine ..	Pipes 1.	Pagodas	Pagodas.		Pagodas 69	Mr. Ross.
		Do.		Do.		68	Mr. Macklane.
		Do.		Do.		70	Shawmeer.
		Do.		Do.		70	Mr. Munro.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Brohier.
		Do.		Do.		68	Chellumbrum.
		Do.		Do.		68	M . Macklane.
		Do.		Do.		69	Shawmeer.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Morgan.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Brohier.
		Do.		Do.		69	James Calvineer.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Brohier.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Morgan.
		Do.		Do.		68	Captain Warner.
		Do.		Do.		68	Mr. Vansittart.
		Do.		Do.		68	Hendrick Smith.
		Do.		Do.		67	Mr. Troutback.
		Do.		Do.		69	Captain Brohier.
		Do.		Do.		67	Mr. Munro.
	Pipes ..	50				Pagods. 3383	

FORT ST. GEORGE,
13TH. JUNE 1754.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
HENRY POWNEY,
Impo. Wareho. keepr.

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To the Honourable Thomas Saunders Esq^r^.
President and Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of
Fort S^t^. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to your Orders of sometime past I have now the Honour to wait on you and hope have not incurr'd your displeasure by not coming before, as nothing but excessive illness (even to the point of death) could have prevented me, permit me to assure you that I shall always obey your Orders with the greatest punctuality & pleasure and perform my Duty in all other respects relating to my Hon̄ble Masters Affairs as far as possibly lays in my power, having nothing more at heart than their Interest and Wellfare.

I am with the greatest Respect
Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hum̄. Serv^t^.
Dawsonne Drake.

Fort S^t^. George,
10^th^. June 1754.

To the Hon̄ble Thomas Saunders Esq^r^.
President and Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of
Fort S^t^. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

In the year 1752 the Bombay Detachment being in great want of cloathing, I was ordered by Major Lawrence to cloath them.

As it was impossible for them to have taken the field without being cloathed having rec̄d none for four years.

The Detachment was not on Our Establishm^t^. consequently there was no fund for payment therefore beg the favour that you'll be so kind as to order that I may be paid for the said Cloathing. I am with great Respect

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant
George Gardner.

Fort S^t^. George
June the 10^th^. 1754.

Cloathing for the Bombay Detachment for the Year 1752.

1.	Serjeant	Pag^s^.	7	14 —
35.	Private Men		105	— —
	Jacob Teal Serjeant having entered on the Coast Establishment to go for Vizagapatm̄. has one Serjeants' Cloathing due & 2 private		13	14 —
		Pagodas ...	125	28 —

George Gardner

June 10^th^. 1754.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* —

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort Sr. George.

Craving by this your Honours consideration in regard to Horses for myself and Adjutant our Duty requiring both on March, and in the field, presence in all calls both in Front and Rear, Flanks or Angles as occasion may require. We shall follow what further Orders Major Lawrence may please to give to the whole or part of the Bombay Detachment or other Military detach'd with them. I am with the greatest respect

Your Honours most Obedt. Hble. Servt.

Roderick Forbes.

Fort St. George,
June 12th. 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Govr. of the Honble East
India Company's Settlements on the
Coast of Choromandel &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

As the Honble the Govr. and Council of Bombay were pleased to appoint me Commander of the Seapoys sent from thence on Detachment to Madrass without any pay annexing to it, and as it is an employment that cannot be properly executed without incurring an additional Expence as well as trouble by the continual dutys that irregular Troops are exposed to, I hope your Honour and Council will be pleased to take my case into Consideration and order me any allowance for defraying the Extra Expences I must necessarily be put to, that to you shall seem reasonable. I am with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and
most Humble Servant

Andrew Armstrong.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

The Petition of Captain Gaupp

Humbly Sheweth

1st. That hitherto a confusion has happen'd with regard to the off reckonings for the cloaths of the Men of his Company, your petitioner therefore prays your Honour will be pleased to order that the said Offreckonings of such Men as have passed Muster and have been paid at DeveCotah be paid to your petitioner according to the accompanying List thereof, and that for the future the Paymasters may pay the offreckonings for the whole Company and to include therein the Abstracts of the different detachment of the Lists that shall be sent him every Month.

2d. That the Charge of keeping a Horse be paid to your petitioner for all the time he has served the Honble Company the same as has been paid to the other Captains at Fort St. David.

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3d. That your Honour will be pleased to order an Ensigns Commission to be made out (which is vacant in my Company since the first of April of this present Year) in favour of the Voluntier Charles Frederick Jaeger.

AND your petitioner shall ever pray.

ABSTRACTS of the Swiss Soldiers of Captain Schaub's and Gaupp's Compy mustered and paid at DeveCotah from the Month of August 1753 till & inclusive the Month of June 1754 Vizt.

		Men.
1753.		
August	Serjeants	3
	Corporals	2
	Drumers	1
	Centrys	59
September	Centrys	5
October	Do.	5
November	Do.	4
December	Do.	4
1754.		
January	Do.	9
February	Do.	4
March	Do.	4
April	Do.	4
May	Do.	5
June	Do.	5

N.B.—A List containing the names of the Men above specified has been sent to DeveCotah, which agrees exactly with the Abstracts of the Garrison according to Mr. Hopkins's Letter of the 4th. May 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Conformable to your Honour &ca. Orders We have survey'd the stores as mention'd in the List delivered in last Consultation and now hereunto annex'd and find them to be worn out, broke and decay'd and unfit for service, as such the Convex Light and Iron Beam were sent up from Vizagapatam.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants

ALEXR. WYNCH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 3D. JUNE 1754.

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AN ACCOUNT of old Stores, broke and not fitt for use Viz^{t}.

Tin Lanthorns	13
Four Hour Glasses	3
One D^{o}.	1
Half Minute D^{o}.	8
Quarter D^{o}.	8
Compass Cords	40
D^{o}. Glasses	18
Iron Bearm [*sic*] for scles	1 pair
Convex Light	1
Bengall Timbers	5

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF ALEX^{R}. FRASER SURGEON OF THE SHIP TRITON

SHEWETH

THAT Your Petitioner hath carefully attended the Honble Company's Military Recruits on board the said ship as occasion required during the course of the voyage from England, Wherefore your petitioner humbly prays your Honour &c^{a}. Council will be pleased to order him the Gratuity allowed by the Honble Company in the like cases for thirty four Military landed here.

AND your petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Pursuant to your Orders for Establishing a Committee for carrying on the Honble Company's Works with Economy & the report of the said Committee of the 28th. Ult^{o}. I take the Liberty of laying the accompanying Indent before you for your approbation and am with profound Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most
Hble. Serv^{t}.

JOHN BROHIER.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
THE 17TH. JUNE 1754.

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INDENT FOR STORES WANTING FOR THE USE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S WORKS AT FORT ST. GEORGE FOR THE YEAR 1754.

Country Twine	..	Maund ..	10
Jaggeree	..	Candy ..	50
Coir Yarns	..	Ditto ..	1
Redwood	..	Do. ..	30
Indigo	..	Maund ..	1
Red Lead	..	Do. ..	4
Glew	..	Do. ..	1
Red Earth	..	Candy ..	4
Lacker	..	Maund ..	½
Hartall	..	Do. ..	½
Sheathing Boards	..	.. ..	2,000
Mallacca Do.	..	.. ..	3,000
Teak plank of 2 Inches	..	.. ..	100
Do. of 3 to 5 Inches	..	.. ..	100
Teak Timbers	..	.. ..	50
Country plank	..	.. ..	60
Palmeiras	..	.. ..	10,000
Reapers	..	.. ..	5,000
Dammers	..	.. ..	1,000
Basketts	..	.. ..	10,000
Rattan Do.	..	.. ..	1,000
Bailing Do.	..	.. ..	100
Rattans	..	Bundles ..	60
Wood oil	..	Galls. ..	100
Stone Chunam	..	Parrahs ..	60,000
Shell Do.	..	Do. ..	1,000
Wall Bricks	..	Lacks ..	45
Well Do.	..	Do. ..	3
Tarrass Do.	..	Do. ..	2
Square Do. of 6 to 10 Inches	..	..	20,000
Tiles	..	..	1,50,000
Flat Tiles	..	..	30,000

C. BROHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Mr. Richard Fairfield having this day by Letter to the Mayors Court, represented that he had recd. Orders to repair immediately to a station in the Honble Compy's service at Fort St. David whereby it is rendered impossible for him to give any further attendance at the said Court and that he therefore desired to resign his office as Alderman.

I am directed by the said Court to inform your Honour &cs. that they have accepted of Mr. Fairfields resignation and that they request you will be pleas'd to elect some other person in his stead.

I am with due Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble. Servt.
DANL. MORSE,
Regr.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 17TH. MAY 1754.

LIBRARY OF THE

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* —

To Andrew Munro Esq^{R}. Mayor
and the Aldermen of Madrasspatnam.

Gentlemen

A Letter from M^{r}. Daniel Morse Register, by your direction dated the 7th. Instant was laid before the President and Council the 13th. whereon they could not help making some Remarks which they have directed me to communicate to you.

It is signify'd to them in the said Letter that M^{r}. Richard Fairfield had desired to resign his office as Alderman and that you had accepted his Resignation and then immediately follows your Request, that the President and Council will elect some other person in his stead, the obvious sense of which seems to be that M^{r}. Richard Fairfields place was become vacant by your acceptance of his Resignation, a power which does not appear to be granted to any one by the Charter and which on the present occasion there is the less reason to assume as there is an express provision made by the Charter the words are if the said Mayor or any of the Aldermen shall remove to any of the said Company's other settlements &c^{a}. the place or office of every such Mayor or Aldermen shall be void By which it seems pretty plain that on M^{r}. Fairfields Removal to Fort S^{t}. David his place was vacated of course, for these Reasons I am directed by the President and Council to return you the said Letter (and it accordingly accompanies this) as in their opinion the above recited passages in it are inconsistant with the Charter and therefore improper to be registered with their proceedings. I am with due Respect.

Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Humble Serv^{t}.

Fort S^{t}. George,
28th. May 1754.

Jos : Dupre,
Secretary.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^{R}.
President and Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council of
Fort S^{t}. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

M^{r}. Secretary Dupré having address'd a Letter to the Mayor and Aldermen dated the 28th. past, they order me to write your Honour &c^{a}. that he has communicated some partial Remarks which you have been pleased to make upon a Letter which I had the Honour to write to you the 7th. past, by their Order, and what is yet more extraordinary, that by your direction he has sent back that Letter, with an Intimation that you think it improper to be registered with your proceedings, but that this might not be done without offering some reason, they take notice you have been pleased to excerp [*sic*] the last passage of my Letter, which your opinion pronounces inconsistent with his Majesty's Charter, after having overlook'd the first part thereof without a Reference to which, it is by no means canded [*sic*] to pass any opinion on the last part.

I am directed by the Court to acquaint your Honour &c^{a}. that it would be highly improper to admit any matter a subject of Dispute with you, which relates to the authority with which it is vested as a Court of Record and a Corporation, because there is no matter of Right granted to your Honour &c^{a}. by his Majesty's Charter to impugn those Resolutions, which the Court does think proper to preserve for the due support to the authority thereof. But at the same time I am directed to say that the Indispensable Obligation which the

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Court is laid under to defend (when attack'd) that publick authority which is constituted to maintain and the purpose of the present Judges to transmit the same intire [*sic*] to their successors (lest the many good ends for which this Court has been establish'd should by any means be frustrated) makes it necessary that your Honour &c^{a}. should receive an answer to your Secretary's Letter. That the Letter wrote by M^{r}. Rchard Fairfield to the Court as well as, that which I had the honour to write to you are both proper, is a matter which the Court has a right to determine for itself, even altho' your Honour &c^{a}. should still remain of a different opinion and therefore I am directed to return my former Letter, with this, that you may still have an opportunity (if you judge it proper) to Register both with your Proceedings (as the best means of remedying that palpable Mutilation which your Secretary by your direction) has been pleased to make in my former Letter.

The Court is willing to impute the unbecoming manner in which it is treated upon this occasion to the Multiplicity of Business in which your Honour &c^{a}. are engag'd, because no doubt can be made, but a more deliberated consideration must have produc'd a far different Resolution, but I am desired to say that you will now have an opportunity to reconsider this matter, and at the same time you will be thoroughly convinc'd that if the Letter from your Secretary is entered amongst your Proceedings (which is not to be doubted) and if the Letter which I had the Honour to write to you is not entered, that this affair is treated by you in a most disingenuous manner and to convince you of this at once, there is nothing more necessary than that you will take the Trouble to compare both these Letters together, in that which I had the honour to write to you, it is expressly mention'd that M^{r}. Fairfields Resignation was accepted of in consequence of his Representation that he had received Orders to repair to a station in the service of the Hoñble Company at Fort S^{t}. David, and the Court are of opinion that this does not in any sense clash with that part of the Charter which M^{r}. Secretary does transcribe in his Letter, whilst it preserves that just and necessary Respect which the former Judges of the Mayors Court (in the same situation with M^{r}. Fairfield) thought themselves oblig'd to shew to that Corporation, of which they had the honour to be Members, a Respect which every Member of a Court of Record instituted by his Majesty's authority, must think it his indispensible Duty to preserve for that authority Now in M^{r}. Secretarys Letter there is not the least mention of the representation made by M^{r}. Fairfield nor any reason given for his desiring to resign. This is the true state of the case and the bare mention is sufficient to put it in a proper light.

I am ordered to add that it is to the Hoñble the East India Company alone that the Mayors Court are to give an account of this matter.

I am with all respect,
HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Serv^{t}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
10TH. JUNE 1754.

DAN^{L}. MORSE,
Reg^{r}.

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To ANDREW MUNRO ESQR. MAYOR
& THE ALDERMEN OF MADRASSPATNM.

GENTLEMEN

A Letter from Mr. Daniel Morse Register dated the 10th. Instant was this day read in Consultation, in answer whereto I am ordered by the President and Council to acquaint you that it neither was nor is their intention [to] enter into disputes, that when any Matters arise relative [to] the Charter, which need explanation they shall submit them to the Honble Court of Directors and when any vacancy's happen in the Mayors Court upon proper noti[ce] they will fill them up agreeable to the Directions of the Charter.

I am with due Respect
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient Humn. Servt.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
17TH. JUNE 1754.

JOS: DU PRE,
Secretary.

18th. Arrived the Honble Company's Ship Montfort Captain Frederick Vincent from Bombay with General Letter from the President and Council there dated 24th. May [last].

19th. Arrived the Honble Companys Ship St. George, Capt. Rober[t] Robinson from Fort St. David.

20th. Recd. by peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka dat. 4 In[st].

— Do. by Tappies Do. from Fort St. David dated 16th. Ins[t].

— Arrived Ship Greyskin from Batavia and Negapatam.

21 Sent by Tappies a Remittance of half a Lack of Rupees, the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David in a Letter of this date from the Secretary.

22d. Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 18 Instant.

23 Sailed Snow Muxadavad, John Sullivan for Manilla.

— Do. ship Greyskin for Pulliacat.

24th. Do. ship Catharina Carlo de Lang, for Aracan.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

TUESDAY THE 25TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 17th. Instant read and sign'd.

Hospital reported. Mr. Boddam reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just cause of Complaint.

General Letters read. General Letters read Vizt.

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From Bombay.

N°. 116 from the President and Council of Bombay dated the 24th. May recd. ℔ Montfort advising that they directed the Commander of that Ship to touch here to land a Company of Seapoys consisting 115 Men and then to proceed to Bengal enclosing List of their names accot. Provisions supplied them and the pay they are to receive.

Bandarmalanka &

N°. 117 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 4th. Instant serving only to accompany his Monthly accounts for May.

Fort St. David.

N°. 118 and N°. 119 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David the first dated the 16th. Instt. advising that they have landed from the St. George thirty (30) Pipes of Madeira Wine and 435 pigs of Lead pz. 587—3 for which they request an Invoice, that one of the Boats with the Lead was overset in the surf coming ashore and 15 Pigs lost. That they shall do all in their power to stop the Europe Ships passing by, That they will husband their Treasure as much as possible, but large Ballances being due to some of their Merchants and demands coming on them from Camp and DeveCotah they request a speedy supply as also the stores they Indented for, that they have enquir'd for an Interpreter for Camp but cannot find any. That on enquiry of Captain Zeigler they are inform'd all the provision put on board the Fort St. David at Bombay for the Military by that ship was expended in the voyage but that eight Copper Kettles were delivered to Mr. Keernander of whom they have directed the Storekr. to receive them, that the Trevendeporum Renters have consented to take the prescribed oath, provided they are permitted at the same time to swear to their Losses for 1754 as well as 1753. The other dated the 18th. Instt. advising the receipt of our Letter of the 14th. Instant and that in consequence thereof they send us on the St. George 3 officers and 8 private Tents, which are all they have in Garrison fit for service but that they have neither Bell Tents nor camp Kettles in store, that Captain Zeigler was mistaken in the 8 Copper Kettles abovemention'd instead of which 5 large Potts and thirty frying Pans have be [*sic*] delivered the Storekr. that the Montfort arrived there the 17th. with 112 seapoys which they immediately dispatch to us.

O. qr.lb.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Trevendeporum Renters swear firm to their losses for the Year 1753 and at the expiration of the present year it be considered what allowances to make them for what they may have suffered in it, that the Gentlemen at St. David be directed to enquire and inform Us how long the Tents sent us by the St. George have been in store and by whom they were supply'd as the price they are invoiced at is near double what they are made for here.

The Montfort to be dispatch'd to the Bay and touch at Vizagapatam.

AGREED that the Montfort be dispatch'd to the Bay and touch at Vizagapatam to land Lieutenant Nelson, Officers being much wanted in that Garrison.

Treasure to be sent to both places. St. George when ready to be dispatch'd to the Bay and touch at Vizagapatam.

AGREED that as soon as the Bales are transferr'd from the True Briton to the St. George, the latter be dispatch'd to the Bay with the seventy five thousand one hundred (75,100) Arcot Rupees remitted us from Bombay to be forwarded thither and that all the Madrass Rupees that can be got ready not exceeding two Lacks be also sent on that ship to Bengall and that fifteen thousand Madrass Pagodas be sent by the same conveyance to Vizagapatam 5000 for the use of that Settlement 5000 for Ingeram and 5000 for Madapollam.

3 Lacks of Rupees and stores to be sent St. David ℔ Protector.

AGREED that three Lacks of Rupees and such part of the Wares and Stores Indented for from Fort St. David as can be supply'd be sent to Fort St. David on the Honble Company's Ship Protector.

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Letter from Mr. Brohier relatg. to the Paymaster.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier with sundry accounts and papers referr'd to in the said Letter read as entered hereafter also a Letter from Mr. John Brohier to the President, both in regard to the management of the Paymasrs. Employ so far as it has any connection with the Company's Works ORDERED that the said Letters and accounts be delivered to the Paymaster that he may lay before the Board his answer thereto.

Letter from the Assay Master touching the coinage.

Letter from Mr. Edward Edwards Assay Master read as entered hereafter being in answer to one from the Secretary by Order of the Board touching the coinage agreeable to Our Honble Masters Commands of the 19th. December last & the Tower Weight and Assay of coins. ORDERED that Copy's of the said Letter be transmitted in the packet to Europe for the Information of Our Honble Masters and in respect to the 984 Ounces markt Estimates which Mr. Edwards says are two penny weights and a quarter worse that what has usually been recd. into the Mint. ORDERED that the same be return'd into the Treasury and remain there to be further consider'd of.

Five petitions of surgeons for Head Money.

The several petitions of Messrs. Thomas Scott Surgeon of the Essex, Thomas Browne of the St. George, James Nasmith of the Ilchester, Patrick Campbell of the Onslow & Robert Broadley of the True Briton read as entered hereafter praying that the usual Gratuity of ten shillings ℔ Man may be allowed them for the Military Recruits landed here from the said ship respectively Vizt.

From the Essex ...	...	31 Men.
St. George		62 Do.
Ilchester		29 Do.
Onslow		47 Men.
True Briton		28 Do.

Surgeon petitions granted.

ORDERED that the Military Paymaster discharge the same if on enquiry he shall be satisfy'd they have had proper care taken of them in the voyage.

Letter from the Mayors Court.

Letter from the Register of the Mayors Court in answer to that wrote to the said Court by the Secretary as Ordered in and entered after the Minutes of last Consultation ORDERED that the said Letter be entered hereafter.

44,000 Pagodas offered for Poonamalee.

The President acquaints the Board that in consequence of the publick Notice for all persons who might be inclined to Rent the Poonemalee Country to deliver in their proposals, he had recd. several from differen[t] persons the highest of which offered by Numboor Soubiah being forty four thousand Pagodas for the year, the Board esteeming this a very advantageous proposal being nine thousand Pagodas more than the last Year, AGREED that it be accepted but that the present Renter Rayal Pundat have the preference in case he will give the same sum, in consequence of a covenant to that Effect in his Cowle.

To be accepted.

Report Treasure of all the China ships right.

The Committee of Treasury report that all the Treasure by the several China Ships having been examin'd and weigh'd turn'd out right agreeable to Invoice.

Monthly accot. read. Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month, Ballance then remaining in the Mint one hundred and eight thousand eight hundred & sixty nine Arcot Rupees and twelve annaes (108,869. 12) which is carried forward and sixty three (63) Madrass Pagodas now paid in Ballance due to the Mint thirty two current Pagodas, one fanam and thirty five Cash (32. 1. 35) which is paid him.

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CHARLES BODDAM PAYMASTER READS THAT ACCOUNT FROM LAST MONTH VIZ^{T}. Paymaster.

CHARGES GARRISON ... ... P.	213	4	31
CHARGES HOSPITAL	206	28	73
PEONS AND SERVANTS WAGES	375	16	—
CHARGES GENERAL	75	27	28
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	239	21	47
REPAIRS	728	22	7
FORTIFICATIONS	1583	30	21
POONEMALEE &C^{A}. Villages	22	8	63
S^{T}. THOMÉ &c^{a}. Villages	21	35	13
ALLOWANCES of the Court of Requests ...	12	12	—
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	—
	4129	26	43

Ballance due from him nine hundred and eighty eight Pagodas twenty three fanams and one Cash (988. 23. 1) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary occurrences in the Paymasters account are enter'd hereafter.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him two hundred and sixteen Pagodas, four fanams and fifteen Cash (216. 4. 15) which is carried forward. Export warehouse.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him ten thousand eight hundred and thirty nine Pagodas, five fanams and four Cash (10,839. 5. 4) which is carried forward. Sea Customs.

Henry Powney Import Warehousek^{r}. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him five thousand and eighty two Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and forty three Cash (5082. 29. 43) which is carried forward. Import Warehouse.

Alexander Wynch Storekeeper, reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him one thousand and sixty two Pagodas, seventeen fanams and five Cash (1062. 17. 5) which is carried forward. Storehouse.

John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him, seven hundred & twelve Pagodas, twenty four fanams and twenty eight cash (712. 24. 28) which he now pays in. Land Customer.

John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him one thousand four hundred and ninety one Pagodas fourteen fanams and fourteen Cash (1491. 14. 14) which is carried forward. Milĩty Paymastr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him one hundred and nineteen Pagodas, three fanams and fifty three Cash (119. 3. 53) which is carried forward. Milĩty Storekr.

The Accountant lays before the Board the Journal Parcells for the Month of April. Journal parcels.

The Engineers account of Expences of Fortifications and Repairs for the last Month is also laid before the Board. Engineers Account.

The Commissary reports that he had this day recd. of the shroffs the remainder of what due on their Bonds for the Tripoty Rents being seventeen thousand six hundred and ninety one Pagodas, thirteen fanams and fifteen Cash (17691. 13. 15) which he now pays in. Tripoty Rent recd.

Linga Chittee now pays in fifteen Thousand (15,000) Madrass Pagodas which at 10 ℔ Cent Batta amount to sixteen thousand five hundred (16,500) Current Pagodas being on account of his contract for thirty thousand Madrass Pagodas, for which fifteen thousand (15,000) Current Pagodas were advanc'd him the 3^{d}. Instant. Linga Chitty pays in Mad. Pags. Accot. his contract.

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further advance to be made him.

AGREED that eighteen thousand (18,000) Currt. Pagodas may be advanc'd him as the Chest will admit of it to compleat the contract.

Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in sixteen thousand two hundred and sixteen Pagodas seven fanams and sixty four cash (16,216. 7. 64) for Rupees sold.

1 Months rent of the Beetle farm paid in & 1. Mo. Rent of the arrack farm.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Beetle and Tobacco Farmers pay in six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ulto.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence pay in three hundred and thirty three Pagodas, twelve fanams for one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ulto.

Sea Customer pays in on his running accot.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running account.

Advances to the Commissary & Militay. Storekr.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Commissary nineteen thousand two hundred & sixteen pagodas, seven fanams and fifty four Cash (19,216. 7. 64) [*sic*] to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

To the Military Storekeeper sixteen hundred and fifty (1,650) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In consequence of your Orders to the Committee you have been pleased to appoint for carrying on the Honble Company's Works with economy, and for considering the several matters complained of in Colonel Scotts Letter of the 6th. Ulto. and the Replys made thereto by Charles Boddam Esqr. Paymaster and Alexandr. Wynch Esqr. Storekeeper, I take this Liberty to lay before the Honble Board my sentiment on their contents.

I must first beg leave to represent that I humbly conceive that Coll. Scotts Assertion of the Works being carried on in an Expensive manner (partly from the Materials being furnish'd by the Paymaster at his own price exceptg. Wall Bricks without check on Controul) is justly grounded.

The accounts of supplys of Bricks plainly demonstrate that all sorts of Bricks out of the common Demensions are charg'd at an exorbitant price, the Well Bricks for Instance do not measure above 60 Inches Cube & are charg'd 100 Pagodas ℔ Lack whilst the common standard Bricks measure upwards of 91 Inches and are only charg'd Pags. 66. 24. ℔ Lack according to Agreement at St. David. It cannot be said that those Well Bricks are better burnt or require more Firewood to burn them than the Wall Bricks, but on the contrary they do not require 2/3ds. of the quantity of it, notwithstanding which they have been for the most part the worst burnt Bricks of any received to the Works.

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The twelve Inch paving Brick are charg'd at the rate of	...	...	...	...	...	Pag^{s}.	2000 ₱ Lack
The 10 Inch	...	...	...	...	...		1500 ₱ d°.
8 D°.	...	...	...	...	...		1000 ₱ d°.
6 D°.	...	...	...	...	...		620 ₱ d°.
Tarrass	...	...	...	...	...		45 ₱ d°.

And all these (charged at this exhorbitant Rate) are burnt in the Kilns in common with the Wall Bricks, with a small addition of Firewood for the large Bricks and consequently this exorbitant charge is evident in all the accounts, let the consumption be never so little.

The Bricks mention'd by the Paymaster to have been enlarg'd to an extraordinary size by order of Col^{l}. Scott, are only to the standard Demensions, by Act of Parliament in England, and such as M^{r}. Boddam agreed with M^{r}. Robins to make and deliver at 1500 ₱^{r}. a Pagoda at Fort S^{t}. David; notwithstanding this Agreement the Moulds wearing away the new Moulds made to replace them were kept at the size of those last worn out, and the Bricks were reduced again to near their old demensions in 18 Month's time.

Those ordered to be made for carrying on the Works at this place were all made of the reduced size and continuing to be made so, I represented it to the Hoñble President the 20th. August last, copy of which Letter is here annex'd, and M^{r}. Boddam's Letter to me for new Moulds, which were accordingly made, but (notwithstanding the allowances for shrinking) I am sorry to say many of them fall still short of the proper Dimensions, by the Brickmakers artfully scooping the clay out of the Moulds with their Hand, as they do not make use of any Boards for scraping off the surplus clay which rises above it when full, this is Demonstrable by the Bricks now brought to the works, musters of which must beg leave to lay before the Board as a proof of it.

The advantage which the Paymaster claims to have had at S^{t}. David of cutting Firewood free of Custom to the Renter of DeveCotah, I humbly conceive ought to have reduced the price of Bricks there instead of augmenting it for in 1748 and 1749 the Paymaster supply'd the Hoñble Company with 1800 Bricks for a Pagoda & since DeveCotah was taken, their price was encreas'd and the works were only supplied with 1700, till M^{r}. Robins reduced the Quantity to 1500 for a Pagoda on condition they should be of the standard Dimension.

I am sensible the Expence of burning a Lack of Bricks here is greater than at S^{t}. David, but I humbly conceive that the Hoñble Company has not been credited with all the Fire wood which fell in the November storm 1752, as I am unacquainted with the quantity or by whom it was gather'd, I humbly leave to your superiour consideration.

The Reply of the Paymasters being constantly in advance to the Hoñble Company in procuring the Materials wanted for their works, I must beg leave to represent first that I humbly conceive the exclusive Right he has had of supplying the Inhabitants with Bricks and Chunam at what price he pleased has made him ample amends for any sums he may have advanc'd on that Manufacture, the rest of the Materials such as Timber plank palmeiras &c^{a}. Bought out of the shipping have been engross'd by him (not entirely for the works) as the Inhabitants have been also supplied with what they have wanted that the Hoñble Company has been for these two years past, constantly in advance to the Paymaster is demonstrable, and the Hoñble Board has herewith an Abstract of the Ballance remaining in his hands (Monthly) from the 1st. of May 1752 to the 31st. December 1753 by which it will appear that for above half that time, those Ballances exceeded any supply'd the works ever received.

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Another Objection to the advance the Paymaster mentions he is in, is that several Materials amounting in the Lists annex'd to Pags. 3189. 16. 41 have been purchas'd at the Banksall, Buzar or within the Bounds, and charg'd to the works at his own price such as country Timber, Plank, Redwood, Mallacca Boards and all the small articles mention'd in the said Lists, on which there has been little or no advance, as they have been always bought and supplied as wanted and never any quantity laid in stock, and therefore has run no risque of his Money in this particular, no more than in all the rest of his supplies, as he has had always the Materials by him as a security for it, neither has any stock of any particular sort of Materials, remain'd long on his hands (excepting Timber) with which the Honble Company's stores have been furnish'd lately, as it may appear in the General Accounts of supplys, which altho' mention'd by him as inconsiderable amount to no less than Pagodas 27,857. 35. 25. and whether those Materials have been charg'd at the lowest price they could be had, I humbly leave to your superiour Judgement, but must observe that the Batta on the Fanams, which is not taken notice of in the purchase of Materials or of the Bullock hire of Bricks, sand, Clay, &c^{a}. has been a very considerable article and an Encrease of charge to the works amounting to Pagodas 982. 19 in Two Years time.

The Cooley hire is certainly paid in fanams and cast up at 36 to the pagoda, the accounts evince that Circumstance and it swells the workmanship to near 20 ℔ Cent more than if it was cast up at 43 the Current Exchange and whether the Honble Company is credited for it or not it has encreas'd the apparent charge in two years as ℔ abstract annex'd to Pagodas 3861. 31.

The pay of Labourers mention'd by M^{r}. Boddam to swell the Honble Company's works to the Exhorbitant sums they amount to by it's having been encreas'd by M^{r}. Robins to half as much more than before, I am sorry I am oblig'd to contradict and assert that no pay but the Overseer of the works from 13 to 15 Pagodas, and the principal overseers or workmen distinguishing themselves by skill or activity were ever encreas'd, as an example to others and to creat [*sic*] Emulation among them.

Some women cooleys at S^{t}. David who formerly brought a small Basket to the Works which could hardly contain 5 or 6 Bricks were paid ½ a fanam a day, but some of those Women having been employ'd to bring Bricks by Tale from Tevenapatam to the Works, brought considerable Loads and Earn'd two fanams a day whereupon it was thought proper to employ them to bring Ground for the Glacis at 1 fanam a day, provided they made use of large Baskets, which the Overseers were ordered to see filled and this is all the encrease of pay there has been, and much to the advantage and forwardness of the Honble Company's Works. The Paymasters Books will evince the Truth of what I have now the honour to advance.

All the Bullock Hire of the Chunam is paid in Fanams & the Batta on the Exchange of the pagoda amo^{t}. for these two years to Pags. 326. 24. which when added to 5 ℔ C^{t}. swells this article to Pagods. 631. 24.

Some of the best whole Bricks and extraordinary good ones, I humbly assert have been carried to the Inhabitants, thô very fit for the Honble Company's use. M^{r}. Boddam seems to call it an injurous [*sic*] assertion and adds that two Bricklayers are constantly at the Kilns to pick out the best Bricks for the Works. In answer to which I must beg leave to say that the works themselves evince that those Bricklayers have not done their Duty for which I have often threatned to punish them. But when I consider that those people could not be accountable for what Exchange might be made in transporting of the Bricks, from the Brick Kilns to the works which are near 1 Mile ¾ from the Town, I could only attribute the fault on the People who brought them, for the Bricklayers have no power to hinder the best Bricks from being carried to the Inhabitants, nor cannot know for certain whether the Bullock loaded with the

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Bricks they so pick are really carried to the works or not, I do not assert possitively that this is the case, but that it may so happen is certain & that many Lacks of bad Bricks have been employ'd in the Works for want of better, which would have been rejected, had we had plenty of those Materials, the truth of this the Honble Company is well acquainted with by the Letters wrote to the Court of Directors by Mr. Robins and Col[l]. Scott on their arrivals in India. Mr. Boddam may be acquainted with the irregular proceedings of his servants, but that this is the truth I have the honour to assure the Honble Board.

An Encrease of Charge I most humbly beg leave to lay before you which is that whilst this place was a subordinacy, the carriage of Bricks was only charg'd 4 fanams to the Company, the Paymaster paying 7 fanams out of their Profits for every pagodas worth ' till June 1752 when the whole Bullock here was thrown on the Honble Company's account which has swell'd the Expence of 1 Lack of Bricks delivered to the works of Pag[s]. 12. 34 and which for these two years past has amounted to Pag[s]. 1246. The Paymasters Books for 1750, 1751, 1752, 1753 and of this year will evince the Truth of this additional charge.

As to the Storekeeper supplying the Materials to the Honble Company at the price he has sold them to the Inhabitants of the place is certainly at his own price and without check, for I have not yet been empower'd to object to the price of any Materials so furnish'd by him or the Paymaster, tho' I humbly conceive Colonel Scott never meant that those so supply'd by the Storekeeper were charg'd at an exorbitant Rate but that it might be the case, if no check is appointed to inspect into it, is what I humbly conceive he meant.

I must beg leave to represent to the Honble Board that by the Orders of the Honble Court of Directors The Paymasters accounts of the disbursements for the Works are to be inspected by the Engineer and no payments allowed the Paymaster but on his having passed his account, this was the case 'till July last since which time I have not seen any account of the Paymasters consequently do not know what he charges the Company with Monthly. It is true I give in accounts to the Honble Board but whether the Paymasters accounts agree with those I know not, and I humbly conceive the Honble Compys Instructions are, that he is to deliver me his accounts of payments which if conformable to the check are to be countersign'd by me before this are passed all which I humbly submit to your superiour Judgement.

The method ordered to be pursued by your Hon[r]. &c[a]. for supplying the Honble Companys Works for the future with Materials purchas'd at prime Cost will I am perswaded greatly lessen their Expence and will I hope in all other Respects answer the views Colonel Scott had, when he wrote his Letter to the Honble Board.

As my Observations in these Gentlemens Letters proceed from no other motive than the Zeal I have for the Interest of the Honble Company's service and my Duty in the employment I have the Honour to serve them, I hope they will meet with a favourable reception from the Honble Board here and from the Honble Court of Directors in England.

I am with profound Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant

FORT ST. GEORGE,

JUNE 10TH. 1754.

J. BROHIER.

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The following account is the Amount of Materials & Workmanship recd of the Paymaster from the 1st. May 1752 to the 31st. July 1753 and likewise shews the difference in casting up the Pagoda at 36 fanams (as customary in the Paymasters account) and at 43 fanams the Current Exchange.

	Quantity.			Pagodas.	fanams.	Ca.			
Palmeiras	20574	—	—	2454	209	9			
Teak Timbers	282½	—	—	1951	134	—			
Dº. Planks	525	—	—	1861	181	23			
Sheathing Boards	1950	—	—	397	27	40			
Reapers	17129	—	—	311	184	34			
Mamoties	1049	—	—	322	69	40			
							7296	805	66
Angelin planks	34	—	—	59	58	40			
Country Dº.	31	—	—	60	—	—			
Mallacca Boards	5170	—	—	345	39	48			
Country Timber	326	—	—	165	97	44			
		Md.	Lb.						
Redwood can.	266	16	20¾	794	166	34			
Country Piles	3326	—	—	—	5153	17			
Dº. sticks	20679	—	—	—	2787	74			
Helves	8895	—	—	—	710	14			
Bamboo Matts.	670	—	—	—	847	40			
Soops	61	—	—	—	22	70			
Scives	87	—	—	—	62	70			
Country Ropes for Cotts. ..	—	—	—	—	107	—			
Country twine lb. ..	184	—	—	—	351	—			
Cotton thread Bdle. ..	53	—	—	—	68	30			
White Lead Md.	19	3½	—	31	88	—			
Hartall lb.	5½	—	—	—	5	40			
Red Earth Can.	1	5	6¼	25	9	—			
Indigo Md.	2	22	—	8	40	16			
Red Lead lb.	9	—	—	—	9	30			
Verdigrease lb.	2	—	—	—	29	—			
Dammer Md.	1	5	—	—	32	—			
Tape	—	—	—	—	10	—			
Wood Oyl .. .. Seers	744	—	—	31	81	—			
Cotton Ropes	72	—	—	—	432	—			
Glew lb.	50	—	—	5	284	40			
Gingerly Oil .. .. Seer	1048½	—	—	36	216	—			
Lamp Oil Dº.	302	—	—	12	—	—			
Wax .. .. .. Lb.	20¾	—	—	—	182	—			
Chunam Brushes	141	—	—	—	144	—			
Cloth .. .. Covids.	327	—	—	—	468	30			
Bollapom .. .. Lb.	18	—	—	—	17	20			
Milk .. .. Measrs.	4	—	—	—	4	—			
Caddacoy .. .. Lb.	154	—	—	2	55	40			
Gum	4	—	—	—	8	—			
Leather Ropes	276	—	—	—	310	20			
Cadjans	37545	—	—	—	1062	50			
Country Hemp Bundles ..	174	—	—	—	189	40			
Straw Dº.	1000	—	—	—	1810	—			
Coconut shells	6715	—	—	—	117	40			
Ladles	384	—	—	—	32	—			
Fish skins	4	—	—	—	7	—			
Sheep Dº.	5	—	—	—	22	40			
Blocks	7	—	—	3	18	—			
Fallow .. .. Lb.	16	—	—	—	43	40			
Cow Horns	6	—	—	—	2	—			
Tincall .. .. Lb.	½	—	—	—	4	—			
Salt .. Measures	2800	—	—	—	175	—			
Dammers	2330	—	—	—	872	10			
Ghee, Eggs &cª.	—	—	—	—	142	—			
Cadjan Ropes	6387	—	—	—	159	46			
Bellows .. .. Pair	4	—	—	—	11	—			
Cartied over ..				1576	17568	23	7296	805	66

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		Quantity.			Pagodas	fanams.	Ca.			
	Brought forward ..				1576	17568	23	7296	85	66
Charcoal ..	Soops	15047	—	—	294	249	40			
Cotton	Lb.	3	—	—	—	3	40			
Lacker	..	3	—	—	—	18	—			
Coconuts ..	..	21	—	—	—	7	—			
Bamboo's	..	48	—	—	16	75	—			
Rice ..	Measrs.	7	—	—	—	7	—			
Sea Weeds	Bdles.	138	—	—	5	14	40			
Gram ..	Measrs.	90	—	—	2	36	—			
Firewood	..	—	—	—	—	17	—			
Wooden Buckets ..	..	30	—	—	15	—	—			
Casks	..	8	—	—	14	—	—			
A Cart	..	—	—	—	21	—	—			
								1943	17994	63
Wall Bricks		6314055	—	—	4202	265	63			
Terrass Do.		172675	—	—	72	232	—			
Large square Bricks ..		3549	—	—	48	25	15			
Small do. ..		11795	—	—	14	179	41			
Pillar do. ..		340	—	—	2	9	40			
Well do. ..		222865	—	—	222	31	22			
Raw do. ..		388847	—	—	—	1555	26			
Oxen hire	..	..			—	53993	24		..	
Stone chunam Pã		46130¼	—	—	2668	42214	5		..	
Shell Do.		955½	—	—	—	1911	—		..	
Sand Do.		29826½	—	—	—	9952	6		..	
Clay ..	Baskets	50195	—	—	—	2875	—		..	
			Md.	lb.						
Jaggeree	Cand.	114	3	17	910	127	67		..	
Potts & pans		16864	—	—	—	2110	40		..	
Baskets	..	15223	—	—	—	4148	10		..	
Do. of Rattan		1140	—	—	—	1112	—		..	
Water Baskets		338	—	—	—	422	40		..	
Matts	..	1750	—	—	—	1315	30		..	
Well Ropes	..	10022	—	—	—	1567	60		..	
Brooms	Bdles	864	—	—	—	106	40		..	
								8138	124154	49
Iron stones	..	183	—	—	11	4	16		..	
D. Feet	..	298½	—	—	36	83	9		..	
Flatt Tiles	..	1050	—	—	—	9	36		..	
Tiles	..	437910	—	—	202	199	35		..	
Deve Cotah piles ..	..	1090	—	—	70	9	16		..	
Rattans	Bdles	7	—	—	2	12	—		..	
Coconut Oil seers ..	..	86	—	—	2	33	—		..	
Iron Buckets ..	..	31	—	—	36	29	40		..	
								359	379	72
					Pagodas.			17736	143335	10

The Fanams ..	143335	10	Calculated at 36 fanams the				
				P.	fa.	ca.	
Pagoda amounts to				3981	19	10	
But the Same cast up at 43 fanams the Current							
Exchan. ℔ Pagoda				3333	16	10	
Batta gain'd on the fanams of Materials				648	3	—	
The workmanship from 1st. May 1752 to the 31st. July 1753. Cast up at 36 fanams the Pagoda amounts to				13948	4	—	
But if cast up at 43 fanams the Current Exchange				11677	21	—	
Different in the apparent Expence							2270 19 —
Total Difference in the apparent Expence Exclusive of profits on the supplies						Pag.	2918 22 —

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The Following account is the amount of Materials and Workmanship recd of the Paymaster from the 1st. August 1753 to the 30th. April 1754 and likewise shews the difference in casting up the pagoda at 36 fanams (as Customary in the Paymaster's account) and at 43 fanams the current Exchange.

		Quantity.	Pagodas.	fans.	ca.	Pags.	fas.	ca.
Pegue sheathing Boards ..		420	134	14	32			
Palmeiras		2783	346	14	20			
Reepers		4635	92	29	64			
						572	58	36
Country steel ..	lb.	12½	—	30	—			
Copper		3	—	31	40			
Lead		759	20	25	46			
Tootenaigue		½	—	2	40			
Tin		2½	—	10	40			
Brass Work		437¼	146	16	56			
Country twine		110¼	—	220	40			
Glew		24½	—	321	60			
Wax		13¼	—	132	—			
Chaulk		117	—	78	—			
Dammer		33¼	—	127	40			
Bollapom		237¼	—	264	15			
Cotch		120	—	259	—			
Caddacay		155½	—	155	40			
Lacker		6	—	29	20			
Gum		7	—	13	—			
Tallow		81	—	243	—			
Indigo		26½	—	168	—			
Europe blue paint		1½	—	185	—			
Vermellion		2	—	66	40			
Red Lead		15½	—	26	55			
Hartall		1⅜	—	10	45			
Tincall		¼	—	2	—			
White Lead		707¾	49	21	70			
Red Earth		170	4	34	—			
Red Wood		462½	2	27	72			
Ship Timbers ..	No.	8	24	—	—			
Country Dº.		111	20	27	60			
Mango Planks		5	14	9	—			
Black Wood plank		¼	—	24	—			
Country piles		1096	—	1626	36			
Country sticks		6597	—	443	—			
Helves		540	—	59	—			
Bamboos		5	—	15	—			
Padlock		1	—	4	—			
Scives		53	—	30	30			
Soops		50	—	18	50			
Dammers		972	—	464	—			
Matts		2349	—	2430	40			
Bamboo Matts		6	—	6	—			
Cadjan Leaves		4160	—	106	20			
Coconut shells		1510	—	28	60			
Ladles		373	—	21	5			
Leather Ropes		110	—	132	60			
Cadjan Ropes		1910	—	47	60			
Cot Ropes for Cotts. ..		56	—	126	—			
Straw Bundles		398	—	1006	20			
Chunam Brushes		126	—	71	—			
Country Hemp Bdes ..		41	—	43	10			
Cotton Thread Dº. ..		31½	—	34	75			
Fish skins		8	—	2	—			
Sheep Dº.		3	—	16	—			
			279	9296	45			
Carried over ..						572	56	36

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	Quantity.	Pags.	Fans.	Cs.	Pags.	Fans.	Cs.
	Brought forward	279	9296	45	572	58	36
Knives	3	—	9	—			
Gunnies	6	—	14	—			
Gunny Needles	2	—	1	—			
Cow Horns	4	—	2	—			
Blocks	4	4	—	—			
Window Glass	19	6	31	—			
Charcoal .. .. Soops	2113¼	62	9	77			
Cloth .. .. Covids	153	—	229	20			
Green Cloth	11	—	44	—			
Raw silk		—	1	—			
Ghee, Eggs, &cs.		—	347	70			
Paste for Window Glass		—	48	—			
Gingerly Oil seers	838	32	13	50			
Lamp Do. do.	110	2	27	—			
Wood Do. do.	886	81	1	76			
Linsed Do do..	½	—	3	—			
Flour do.	2½	—	2	40			
Rice .. .. Measures	15½	—	20	—			
		——	——	——	466	10101	58
	Candy. md.						
Jaggeree .. 2	10	17	18	20			
	No.						
Bailing Baskets ..	113	—	141	20			
Baskets.	21712	—	6724	60			
Rattan Baskets	163	—	177	40			
Potts and pans	7768	—	971	—			
Well Ropes	6797	—	873	30			
Brooms .. .. Bdles.	576	—	73	10			
Wall Bricks	4325	1269	19	66			
19 Lacks.							
Tarrass Do.	12544	57	—	55			
Well Do.	27505	27	18	15			
Pillar Do.	510	2	19	64			
Square Do. of 6 Inch ..	6200	10	—	—			
Do. do. of 8 do.	700	7	—	—			
Do. do. of 10 do. ..	1599	22	8	40			
Do. do. of 12 do. ..	713	14	9	28			
Raw Bricks	90365	—	361	35			
Oxen hire		—	16600	61			
Stone chunam Par.	269291½	1502	26870	28			
Shell Do.	625⅔	—	1250	70			
Sand	27458½	—	9152	70			
Clay Baskets	7262½	—	435	60			
		——	——	——	2927	63727	52
Coconut Oil .. .. seers	8	—	11	—			
Iron stones .. .. feet	3827	63	28	16			
	No.						
Tiles	100175	50	25	50			
Flat Tiles	17120	6	14	70			
Earthern Water spouts ..	94	1	28	53			
		——	——	——	120	108	29
		PAGODAS ..			4085	73996	15

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	Quantity.	Pags.	Fans.	Cas.	Pags.	Fans.	Cas.
The fanams 73996 — 15 Calculated at 36 fanams the Pagoda amounts to		2055	16	15	..		
But the same cast up at 43 fanams the Current Exchange ℔ Pagoda..		1720	36	15	..		
Batta Gained on the fans. of Materials		..				334	16 —
The Workmanship from the 1st. August 1753 to the 30th. Apri 1754 Cast up at 36 fans. the pagod with 41 Gold Pagodas amounts to ..		9817	—	10	..		
But if cast up at 43 fans. the Current Exchange		8225	24	10	..		
DIFFERENCE in the apparent Expence						1591	12 —
TOTAL Difference in the apparent Expence inclusive of profits on the supplies					PAGS.	1925	28 —

ABSTRACT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNTS.

	Pags.	fans.	Cas.	Pags.	fans.	Cas.
Supplies of Palmeiras, Teak Timber Plank Sheathing Boards &ca. from May 1752 to July 1753	7296	805	66			
DITTO of Sheathing Boards Palmeiras and Reapers from 1st. Augst. 1753 to April 1754	572	58	36			
				7868	864	22
DITTO of small articles wanted for ye. works, bought at the Banksal Buzar on or about the Bounds from May 1752 to July 1753	1943	17994	63			
DITTO from August 1753 to April 1754 ..	466	10101	58			
				2409	28096	41
DITTO of Bricks &ca. as ℔ Particulars from May 1752 to July 1753	8138	124154	49			
DITTO from August 1753 to April 1754 ..	2927	63727	52			
				11065	187882	21
DITTO of Materials at prime cost from May 1752 to July 1753	359	379	72			
DITTO from August 1753 to April 1754 ..	120	108	29			
				479	488	21
				21821	217331	25
THE Fanams of Materials brot. into Pags. amount to				6036	35	25
TOTAL AMOUNT of Materials supplied by the Paymaster from May 1752 to the 30th. April 1754				27857	35	26
TOTAL of Materials supplied by the Storekr. from June 1752 to April 1754 Inclusive				4254	8	39

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	Pags.	fans.	Ca.	Pags.	fans.	Ca.	Pags.	fans.	Ca.
TOTAL of Materials supply'd by the Paymr. and Storekeeper							32112	7	64
WORKMANSHIP from 1st. May 1752 to 31st. July 1753	13948	4	—						
DITTO from the 1st. Augst. 1753 to 30th. April 1754	9817	—	10						
TOTAL of the Workmanship from May 1752 to April 1754 inclusive							23765	4	10
Workmanship of 2 years Cast up at 36 fans. the pagoda	23765	4	10						
BUT if cast up at 43 to the Pagoda ..	19903	9	10						
DIFFERENCE.				3861	31	—			
THE Fanams of Materials amounting to 217331 25 ca Cast up at 36 fanams the Pagoda	6036	35	25						
BUT if cast up at 43	5054	16	25						
Batta gained on the fanams.				982	19	—			
Difference in the apparent Charge exclusive of Profits on the Materials							48447	—	—
TOTAL EXPENCE of Materials and Workmanship in the years 1752 & 1753 ..				PAGODS.			51033	4	74

ERRORS EXCEPTED AT FORT ST. GEORGE THE 10TH. JUNE 1754.

J. BROHIER.

ACCOUNT of the Ballances due by the Paymaster at FORT ST. GEORGE at the closing of his Monthly accounts for the years 1752 and 1753.

		SUMS due by the Paymaster to the HONBLE COMPANY. Pags.	fas.	ca.	SUMS due to the Paymaster by the HONBLE COMPANY. Pags.	fas.	ca.
1752.							
	May ...	1642	24	23			
	June ...	3989	5	7			
	July ...	1135	10	19			
	August ...	824	30	22			
	September ...	858	18	75			
	October ...	629	18	77			
	November ...	1457	—	61			
	December ...	2493	35	69			
1753.	January ...	2981	18	38			
	February ...	885	1	79			
	March ...	..	..	..	165	10	3
	April ...	533	—	23			
	May ...	711	34	77			
	June ...	129	13	31			
	July ...	1618	31	1			
	August ...	3512	16	14			
	September ...	3774	8	2			
	October ...	4331	7	78			
	November ...	3437	23	8			
	December ...	2442	8	36			

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir

The Dimensions of Bricks at Fort St. David in 1750 being scarce above 1½ Inch thick 8½ Inches long & 4¼ Inches broad, Mr. Robins ordered that the Moulds new made should be of the standard establish'd by Parliament in England, which is that the Bricks should when Burnt be 9 Inches long 4½ broad and 2¼ thick whereupon Mr. Boddam as Paymaster said he could not make the Bricks of those Demensions without a further encrease of price which was allowed by Mr. Robins as follows.

That the Paymaster should supply the Company with 1500 standard, instead of 1700 undersiz'd Bricks for a Pagoda which the Company had before, and accordingy. they were made of the proper demensions for some time but the Moulds wearing away by use, the new Moulds made to replace them were kept at the demensions of those last worn out, and consequently the Bricks deminish'd to their former size before the Enhanc'd price.

The Bricks ordered to be made for this settlement by your order for carrying on the Works here (and their size being omitted in your order) were all made of the old reduced Demensions but kept up to the enhanc'd price, & I am sorry to say that my Remonstrances to Mr. Boddam on the badness and smallness of his Bricks having been ineffectaul, I ordered some Moulds to be made of the proper demensions, but he refused them and sent me word that he would make his own Moulds, I think it therefore my Duty to remonstrate to you sir the deficiency of this article which is of the utmost consequence to remedy, as the badness of the Bricks we have hitherto recd if continued to be made as they are at present will endanger the Works they are employ'd in and may greatly forward the reduction of the place if beseig'd as Works carried on with bad materials will be easily ruined.

The Well Bricks are also reduced greatly from their true proportion without the Reduction of their price, I must therefore beg Sir that this article may be considered, and that you would be pleased to order that they may measure 9 Inches in length, 4½ Inches Bredth at the broadest end and 2½ Inches thick, As to their small and it must diminish according to the Diameter of the Well they are made for.

Having caus'd Moulds to be made of the standard dimensions and of those of the Bricks now made, I take the Liberty to lay them before you, that you may by ocular Demonstration be convinc'd of the Truth I have now the honour to advance to you.

These defects being properly remedy'd will reduce the Expence of the Works intended to be carried on here of at least 26,000 Pagodas and will save upwards of 63,000 Parahs of chunam, an article the much more to be attended to as it is difficult to be procured and that I foresee that the delays the Works will meet with, will proceed chiefly from the Scarcity of it.

As I have no other view in my representation but of doing my Duty and the Interest of the Honble Company's Service, I hope they will meet with your approbation being with profound respect.

Honble Sir

Your most Obedient and
most Obliged Servant
J. Brohier.

Fort St. George,
20th. August 1753.

Copy.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* ——

COPY.

SIR

My people inform me there has been a Lack & twelve thousand raw Bricks of the particular size you ordered to be made for the Works spoiled by the late Rains I think these should be charg'd to the Company, as they have them at Prime Cost, and no advantage is made by it which is not reasonable for me to stand to the loss of them, I mean the Raw Bricks some of which have already been brought to the Works for the Linings of the curtains and you will oblige me to favour me with your answer in regard to them. Please to get some Moulds made me for Wall & Well Bricks of the demesions [*sic*] you desire them to be of and they shall be set about, these last are for Burnt Bricks.

I am

SIR

Your most Obedient Servant

CHARLES BODDAM.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
21ST. AUGUST 1753.

TO CAPTN. BROHIER.

SIR

As you say there is no profit on the Raw Bricks I am willing to allow the loss to be made good to you as they were made of a particular size, when any are made for the future be pleas'd to order them to be brought in as I shall put them under Shelter, I have ordered Moulds for Wall and Well Bricks to be made of proper dimensions being

SIR

Your most Obedient Humble Servt.

J. BROHIER.

22D. AUGUST 1753.

TO CHARLES BODDAM ESQR.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR

As you were pleas'd to tell me last Sunday that Mr. Boddam had accused me of having caused the Workmen to be paid ½ in Rice for these twelve Months past, I must beg leave to represent to you that as this accusation may insinuate some disadvantageous Ideas of my Integrity in carrying on the Hoñble Company's Work, I must therefore Justify myself of it and demonstrate to you Sir the rectitude of my conduct in this particular.

In January and February 1753 Rice being scarce and very dear, the Workmen and Cooleys surrounded me several times on the Works and in a Clamarous manner complain'd they were starving for want of Rice, that it was true they were paid regularly but that they could get no Rice for their Money, Whereupon I took the liberty to apply to you to order some Rice to be served out of the Company's Godowns to the people to which you were pleased to reply that there would be great losses to the Company by the Knavery of the Conicoplys and that it could not be conveniently done. Whereupon finding the Complaints encreased daily, I caus'd Rice to be bought out of the Compys Godowns and

Banksall and to be served out to the People every other night at the Buzar price according to their Request, telling at the same time every person on the Works that they were at liberty to take either Rice or Money when they thought proper, but the scarcity of Grain made them prefer to take it rather than Money, to this must be added that being served Rice on the Works they went immediately home with it and dress'd it for use, whereas had they been paid Money, they must have gone to the Buzar near ½ or ⅔ of a Mile from the Works to have bought it, and then the lower sort of Cooleys being 2 or 4 to a double fanam, took up some time to divide it, and the number of people making it late before they could be all paid. The serving Rice on the Works was an ease and indulgence to them of which they were very sensible, and would have been glad to have been paid so, had not Mr. Boddams conicoply by his Masters Orders gone on the Works the 1st. Instant and Harangued the people, and desired they would not take any More Rice for their Hire, as they had done every other day this 15 month's past, to which no doubt the people through fear of so great and powerfull a Man as Mr. Boddam's Conicoply is readily consented, as Grain is cheap at present.

I must further take the liberty to present you a General account of all the Workmen and Cooleys which have been employ'd daily on the Works by which it will appear that the serving Rice to those people far from having been detrimental to the service has been the means of procuring a greater number of Workmen and Cooleys than We had before—for in

January	We had but 370	People one day with another.
February	976	
March	1289	Rice begun to be served.
April	1400	
May	1345	
June	1495	
July	1336	
August	1233	
September ..	1371	
October	1008	
November ..	1018	
December	984	
January	681	
February	635	
March	687	
April	717	
May	666	Left of serving Rice to the people the 31st. May.
June	613	

This short Abstract and the succeeding Months will I humbly conceive evince the truth of it, and I am oblig'd to Mr. Boddam for having given me an opportunity of demonstrating that what I have done in it has been extreamly beneficial to the Honble Company's Service, the Interest of which I shall always make my study to promote and endeavour to merit the Honour of your countenance and the protection of the Honble Court of Directors, as I am most respectfully

HONBLE SIR

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant

J. BROHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
JUNE 15TH. 1754.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754* —

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I received a Letter of the 19th. ulto. from Mr. Dupré Secretary with an Extract of a General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors mentioning the difference in the weight of Rupees.

I am extreamly sorry to hear of such a complaint and shall do all that lays in my power to rectify it (tho' at the same time must say it is impossible, for the method of coining in this country will not admit of it) was I to have Engines and other Materials proper for the art of coining am certain I could make the Rupees all of a proper weight, but then to bring these people to make use of the same would be out of my power as they go by custom which is a thing I mention'd to your Honours in some of my former Letters and am certain you must be sensible of the same.

I have, since I received the above mention'd Lre weigh'd four thousand Rupees singular, and have found no more than two Grains, or two and a half more or less, Difference, in each, and really as I have said before the manner of coining will not admit of bringing them all of an equal Weight.

The List from the Honble Court of Directors mentions some (tho' few) to weigh from twelve to eighteen Grains more, I am sorry to hear it, and will use the utmost Dilligence to rectify it as far as lays in my power.

By one of the ships there was delivered to the Mint nine hundred and eighty four Ounces of silver markt Estimates, but a different sort from what we formerly received, I have made an Assay of several of the same and they turn out worse four penny weight and three Quarters, whereof the others (or what we formerly used to receive) used to turn out two penny weight and a half worse, I shall be glad to know, as there is such deficiency in the Touch, how I am to receive them into the Mint.

I have given Orders not to let them be melted as I should chuse some of the Gentlemen in the Honble Compys service to inspect the same and likewise the process of coining in the Mint.

Your complyance to the above Request will greatly oblige he who is with the greates [*sic*] Esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. Humble Servt.

Edward Edwards,
Assay Mastr.

Fort St. George,
June 24th. 1754.

To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the receit [*sic*] of a Letter from Mr. Josias Dupré Secretary by your Order, dated the 17th. Instt. and in answer thereto to acquaint your Honour &ca. that the Decla-

ration which you are now pleas'd to make, " That it neither was nor is your Intention to enter into disputes ", is acceptable to them, and it will be very agreeable to them that this Intention may not at any time hereafter be forgot.

When any Vacancy happens in the Mayors Court, proper notice thereof will be given to your Honour &c^{a}.

I am with due respect

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
20TH. JUNE 1754.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum. Serv^{t}.
DAN^{L}. MORSE,
Reg^{r}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

The Humble petition of Thomas Scott Surgeon of the ship Essex

SHEWETH

That the Honble Company having been pleased to promise a Gratuity of ten shillings p^{r}. Man for the Surgeons care of the Military Recruits brought from England, and your petitioner having duly attended those brought out in the Essex humbly prays your Honour &c^{a}. Council will please to direct the payment of the said Gratuity for 31 Men landed here.

And Your petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

TO THE HONBLE THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

The Humble petition of James Naysmith Surgeon of the ship Ilchester

SHEWETH

That your petitioner having carefully attended such of the Honble Company's Military Recruits by the Ship Ilchester, as needed it, humbly prays your Honour &c^{a}. Council will be pleas'd to order him the Gratuity allowed on this occasion for 29 Men landed here.

And your petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

The Humble petition of Thomas Brown Surgeon of the S^{t}. George

SHEWETH

THAT the Military Recruits brought from England in the S^{t}. George having been duly attended by your petitioner and the whole number being 62 landed here, your petitioner humbly prays the usual Gratuity or head Money may be paid him.

And your petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

The Humble petition of Patrick Campbell Surgeon of the Onslow.

Sheweth

That forty seven of the Honble Company's Military Recruits having been landed at this settlement from the ship Onslow, your petitioner humbly prays your Honour &ca. Council will please to allow him the usual Gratuity for his care of them in the voyage.

And your Petitioner shall ever Pray &ca.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Robert Broadley Surgeon of the Ship True Briton.

Sheweth

That twenty eight Military Recruits brought from England in the said ship have been landed here and as the Honble Company are pleas'd to allow a Gratuity of 10 shillings ℔ man to the Surgeons of their ships for their care of the Recruits in the Voyage, your petitioner having discharg'd his Duty in this Respect, prays your Honour &ca. Council will be pleased to order the payment of the said Gratuity.

And your Petitioner shall ever Pray &ca.

Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters accounts are in the following particulars. May 31st. 1754.

	Pa.	Fa.	Ca.
Charges Garrison	6	15	33
Charges Hospital	17	26	13
Charges Extraordinary	239	21	47
Repairs	728	22	7
Fortifications	1583	30	21
Poonemalee &ca. Villages	22	8	63
St. Thomé &ca. Villages	21	35	13
Allowances of the Court of Request	12	12	—
Pagodas ...	2632	27	37

Errors Excepted

℔ Chas. Boddam,
Paymr.

Arrived Ketch Faete Dowlat, Mannoel Corea, from Cochin. 26

Sailed the Honble Companys Ship Montfort Captain Frederick Vincent for Vizagapatam and Bengal with General Letters for both those settlements dated the 26th. 27

Recd by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 27th. Inst. —

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letters to Fort St. David and DeveCotah both dated this day. —

Sailed Sloop Phoenix, William Boonedy for Bengal —

Sailed Ship St. Anthony Manuel Fernandes, for Fort St. David. 28th

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28TH Recd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 26th. Inst.

" Do. by Pattamars Genl. Letter from Anjengo dated 5th. Inst.

29 Arrived Ship Elizabeth, Edmund Massey from Fort St. David.

30TH Recd. by Pattamar General Letter from Ingeram dated 6th. Inst.

— Sign'd General Letter to Fort St. David and dispatch to Captain William James of the Protector also General Letters to Bengal, Vizagapatam, Ingeram and Bandarmalanka, and Dispatch to Captain Robert Robinson of the St. George, all dated this day.

JULY 1ST. Sailed the Honble Company's Ship Protector, Captain Willm. James for Fort St. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 1ST. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated 25th. Ulto. read and sign'd.

Hospital reported. Mr. Henry Powney reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just case of Complaint.

General Letters. General Letters Read Vizt.

No. 120 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 23d. Ulto., acquainting us that the greatest part of the arms sent by the St. George to Fort St. David and from thence to DeveCotah have been delivered to the Seapoys sent from Camp to be arm'd and to 102 new Recruits all which are gone under Captn. Zeiglers Command and that he has now remaining no more than 57 Bayonet and 16 Buchanen pieces to arm the seapoys, we have ordered him to raise &ca. he therefore desires a supply that in making stoppages from the Invalids he only followed what had been customary before his time, that the stoppages from February are in his hands & he desires our orders whether to return them that he has releas'd the Braminy's, appologizing for his conduct therein and the affair of the Water Courses and assuring us of his future care and attachment to the Company's Interest and a due regard to our orders and in obedience to those touching the Investment he has ordered fresh Musters of Chially Cloth to be got ready to be sent us and offering some further Reasons in support of his Former opinion touching the Charges of making an Investment there, that he has wrote to St. David to know the price given there for 12 & 9 call Long Cloth to which they answered that the first is provided at 64 Pagodas and the other at 46. 4. 40 ℔ Corge; That in regard to the Books of that settlement, he apprehends if any censures is due on that account 'tis to Messr. Pybus and Dawson who had the Management of the first sett which is now in his possession but very incorrect of which he gives some Instances and as those Books are to be the ground work of his as soon as they are corrected and he is furnish'd with the means he will execute our commands, that the business of the settlement is so much encreas'd and no person of experience in accounts to assist him besides a very indifferent state of health, these reasons he hopes will plead in his favour that in consequence of the Majors Orders Captain Zeigler march'd from thence the 23d. with a detachment consistg. of one Captain besides himself, three Lieutenants, one Ensign one volunteer, six Serjeants five Corporals, four Drummers, 49 private, 26 Topasses & 443 Seapoys, that a party of the Enemy have been defeated near Chillumbrum by the

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Nabobs people, that Messr. Newton and Call, Captain Zeigler Lieutenant Perceval and Ensign Screiter arrived there the 15th. Mr. Newton proceeded to Tanjore and Mr. Call after having inspected the place return'd with volunteer Coenradi to St. David in the Dragon Sloop which is ordered to cruize off of Trimlewash for the expected Europe shipping, that he had no hand in providing the Dungaree but the use he put it to was what Lieutt. Rivel told him it was intended for that use there are 87 pieces remaining on which he desires our orders, that Captain Innis is by his bad health incapable of taking the field and Captain Pascal is return'd to St. David, Lieutt. Perceval is confin'd to his room with a Wound and he has therefore detained Ensign Scotney, and Mr. Brickenden is also ill, that he has secured the Roof of the Grain Godown for the present untill Our Resolutions are known in consequence of Mr. Call's Report, the Bridges are also in want of Repair, that he has recd 300 Rupees of the Killedar of PalamCotah in part of his Ballance which he promises to discharge fully in a few days, when his and Mr. Fraser's accounts will be drawn out, that the pagoda wh. has been made of as a Magazine for powder having given way, they have been oblig'd to remove the powder and have shored up the Building for the present till Our Orders are recd.

from Fort St. David.

No. 121 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 26th. Ulto. acknowledging the receit of Ours of the 21st. with a remittance of 50,000 Rupees enclosing their Monthly accounts and acquainting us that they had examined their accounts but find no Entry of Basket hilt swords nor are there any such articles in their Remains so that they imagine they must have been recd from Camp formerly and wrote off to the Nabos account.

from Ingeram.

No. 123 from Foss Westcott Esqr. Resident at Ingeram dated 6th. Ulto. acquainting us that the Morattas have left that province, but that the Ravages they have committed will greatly affect the Investment, enclosing the Monthly papers of that settlement for May. Cloth on hand of sorts 151 Corge 11 pieces.

from Anjengo.

No. 122 from George Scott Esqr. Chief &ca. Factors at Anjengo dated 5th. Ulto. enclosing a packet for the President and Council of Bombay which they desire us to forward by the first conveyance.

DeveCotah to be wrote to.

AGREED that Mr. Hopkins at DeveCotah be directed to return to the Invalids the off reckonings remaining in his hands that were detained out of their pay and in regard to the dungaree which he mentions in his Letters, that it remain in the Warehouse untill it may be wanted for a more proper use than sand Baggs.

John De Roose to have an allowance of 25 Pags. ℔ Mo. for refining Gun powder.

John de Roos who has been principaly employ'd in erecting the powder Mill at Egmore and for 2 Months past has been engag'd in claryfying of salt petre and other preperatives for making powder as soon as Mr. Bishop arrives AGREED that he be continued in that Employ untill Mr. Bishop's arrival, and that he be allowed 25 Pagodas ℔ Mo. for the same and the Military Storekeeper is directed to employ such servants and Assistants as may be necessary for performing that Business and to pay them the Customary Wages.

Poonemalee let for one year to Rayal pundat for 44,000 Pags.

The President acquaints the Board that agreeable to Resolution of last Consultation, the offer having been made to Rayal Pundat the Renter of Poonemalee for the last of farming the same again for one year from this day at 44,000 Pagodas, being the highest rent that has been offered he has accepted of the same and Linga Chittee offers himself as security for payment of the Rent and performance of his covenants.

ORDERED that the Cowle and security Bond be drawn out accordingly.

Mayors Court desires an advance of 300 Pags.

Letter from the Mayors Court read as entered hereafter, requesting an advance of three hundred Pagodas to defray the charges attending that Corporation.

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Granted. AGREED that the said sum be advanc'd accordingly.

Cash account read also. The President reads the Cash account for last Month Ballance remaining now compared with Chest eleven thousand eight hundred and thirteen Pagodas, ten fanams and seventy two Cash (11813. 10. 72) and sixteen thousand (16,000) Madrass Pags. which is carried forward.

the Treasury accot. The Treasury accounts for last Month are also read Ballance remaining being compared and found right are thirty seven thousand and seventy three Arcot Rupees, twelve annaes and nine pice (37073. 12. 9) eight thousand three hundred and twenty (8320) Madrass Rups. two hundred and fifty thousand Bombay Rupees (250,000) sixteen thousand current Pagodas (16,000) and three thousand (3000) Madrass Pagodas which are carried forward.

advances out of Cash. AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Paymaster. To the Paymaster three thousand five hundred (3500) Pagodas for the charges of that Employ.

Military Paymr. & Commissary. To the Mility. Paymaster five thousand five hundred & forty Pagodas, nineteen fanams and thirty seven Cash (5540. 19. 37) to pay the Military.

To the Commissary eleven thousand four hundred & five Pags. fourteen fanams and forty eight Cash (11405. 14. 48) to defray the charges of the Troops abroad.

Money paid in from the Treasury. & Henry Powney Impo. Warehousekeeper pays in five thousand and nine hundred and forty five Pagodas, thirty four fanams and five Cash (5945. 34. 5) for Rupees sold and eight thousand (8000) Pagodas on account of Gold recd from Europe and coined.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas on his running account.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am ordered by the Honble Mayors Court to draw upon your Honour &ca. for the sum of three hundred (300) Pagodas to defray the charges attending that Corporation for which they hereby acknoweldge themselves to be accountable. I am with due respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Hum. Servant

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. JUNE 1754.

DANL. MORSE,
Regr.

FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1754.

MADRAS PAGODAS.

Dr:					Cr.			
1.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account.	937	—	—	30th. By Vizagapatam Factory sent thither ℔ St. George	5000	—	—
29.	To the Honble Compys Cash purchased ...	15000	—	—	— By Ingeram Factory sent thither ℔ St. George.	5000	—	—
30.	To the Honble Compys Cash for the Mint May Bllce.	63	—	—	— By Madapollam Factory sent thither ℔ St. George	5000	—	—
					— By Ballance carried to next Month	1000	—	—
	Mss. Pags. ...	16000	—	—	Mss. Pagods. ...	16000	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

Dr.					℔ CONTRA. Cr.			
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account. Pags.	27524	22	64	1st. By Charles Boddam paymr. advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	4500	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. received of him for Rups. sold	540	19	37	— By John Smith Military Paymaster advanc'd him to pay the Military	4540	19	37
3d.	To Do. Do. do. ...	5000	—	—	3. By Linga Chitty advanc'd him to purchase Madrass Pagods.	15000	—	—
—	To Do. Do. do. ...	8000	—	—	— By Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. advanc'd him to purchase Rice	4000	—	—
10.	To Do. Do. do. ...	2000	—	—	11. By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanc'd him to defray the charges of the Troops abroad ...	13405	14	48
—	To Do. Do. do. ...	5405	14	48	— By John Smith Military Paymaster advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ	1000	—	—
17.	To Do. Sea Customer recd. of him on his runng. account	1100	—	—	17. By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanc'd him for a remittance to Camp	2200	—	—
25.	To Do. Import Wareho.kr. recd. of him for Rupees sold	2702	25	24	24. By John Smith Military Paymaster advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ	1000	—	—
—	To Do. Sea Customer recd. of him on his running accot.	1000	—	—				
—	To Nabob Annaverde Cawn, recd. of the Commissary being so much paid him in full of what due for the September and December Kists of the Tripoty Rents	17691	13	15				
	Carried over ...	70964	23	28	Carried over ...	45645	34	5

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

Dr:				
	Brought forward ...	70964	23	28
25	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd. of him for Rups. sold	13513	18	40
—	To Linga Chitty recd. of him part of what advanc'd him to purchase Madrass Pagodas ... ... 15,000 — —			
—	To Do. for Batta on the Exchange being 10 ℔ Cent. 1500 — —			
		16500	—	—
—	To Batta gain'd on the Exchange of Pags. 1000 into fans. @ 42	166	24	—
—	To John Smith Land Customer recd. of him the Ballance of that account for last Month.	712	24	28
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Beetle and Tobacco Farmers recd. of them one Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ulto.	666	24	—
	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence recd. of them one Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ulto.	333	12	—
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him the Ballance of Madrass Pagodas in that account for last Month	63	—	—
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGS. ...	102920	18	16

℔ CONTRA—*cont.*

Cr:				
	Brought forward ...	45645	34	5
25th.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary advanc'd him for the charges of the Troops abroad.	2702	25	24
—	By Charles Bourchier Military Storekr. advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ	1650	—	—
26.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary advanc'd him for the charges of the Troops abroad.	3000	—	—
29.	By Do. Do.	13513	18	40
—	By Linga Chittee advanc'd him to purchase Madrass Pags.	8000	—	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas, recd. in part of what Linga Chittee was to purchase	15000	—	—
—	By Batta on Do. @ 10 ℔ cent	1500	—	—
30	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint May Ballance.	63	—	—
—	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballance of that account for last Month	32	1	35
		91107	7	24
—	By Ballance carried to next Months account ...	11813	10	72
	STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS ...	102920	18	16

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

Treasury Account Fort St. George 1754.

Silver.

Dr.			Chests.	lb.	oz.	pu.
1754.						
June 9	To account current London recd ℔ Triton		40	11626	8	—
—	To Ditto ..	℔ Onslow ..	25	7266	8	—
11	To Ditto ..	℔ Essex	40	11626	8	—
14	To Ditto ..	℔ Ilchester ..	40	11626	8	—
—	To Ditto ..	℔ True Briton.	23	6685	4	—
		Chests ..	168	lb. 48832	—	—

Cr.			Chests.	lb.	oz.	pu.
1754						
June 10	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master		65	18893	4	—
15	By Ditto		80	23253	4	—
18	By Ditto		22¾	6603	7	10
30	By Ballance		¼	81	8	10
	Chests ..		168	lbs. 48832	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Gold.

Dr.			Chests.	oz.	pw.	gr.
1754						
June 9th.	To Account Current London recd ℔ Onslow		1	3750	—	—
14	To Do.	℔ True Briton.	2	4244	3	11
		Chests ..	3	7994	3	11

Cr.			Chest.	oz.	pw.	gr.
1754						
June 10	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master		1	3750	—	—
18	By Ditto		2	4244	3	11
		Chests ..	3	7994	3	11

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madras Rupees.

Treasury Accounts Fort St. George—*cont.*

Dr.					Cr.				
1754. June.					1754. June.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month	8,320	—	—	30.	By Bengall Presidency sent ℔ St. George ...	240,000	—	—
25.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master ...	40,000	—	—	—	By Ballance	8,320	—	—
29.	To Ditto	200,000	—	—					
		248,320	—	—			248,320	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Arcot Rupees

Dr.					Cr.				
1754. June.					1754. June.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month ...	78,323	12	9	1st.	By Import Warehousekr. delivered him for sale.	2,000	—	—
10.	To Bombay Presidency, recd. the amount of their Bill of Exchange on Gocul Trivady 4 setts of Bills	22,000	—	—	3d.	By Ditto	19,000	—	—
—	To Ditto on Nella Contacha 2d. Ditto	13,000	—	—	—	By Ditto	30,400	—	—
—	To Ditto on Vellaboo Sundradoss 3d. Do. ...	12,100	—	—	10.	By Ditto	7,600	—	—
—	To Ditto on Sevoy Terivady 1st. Do.	3,000	—	—	11.	By Ditto	20,000	—	—
21st.	To Ditto on Gocull Terivady 1 Do.	25,000	—	—	22.	By Fort St. David on account Bill of Exchange.	50,250	—	—
22.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master ...	240,000	—	—	24.	By Import Warehousekr. delivered him for sale.	10,000	—	—
25.	To Ditto	160,000	—	—	29.	By Ditto	50,000	—	—
28.	To Ditto	48,000	—	—	30.	By Fort St. David sent ℔ Protector	300,000	—	—
					—	By Bengall presidency sent ℔ St. George ...	75,100	—	—
							564,350	—	—
						By Ballance	37,073	12	9
		601,423	12	9			601,423	12	9

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts—*cont.*

Bombay Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
1754. June.				1754. June.				
11.	To Bombay Presidency recd. ℔ Protector ...	250000	— —	30.	By Ballance	250000	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Pagodas.

Dr.					Cr.			
1754. June.				1754. June.				
1st.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master	3000	— —	30.	By Ballance	3000	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Current Pagodas.

Dr.					Cr.			
1754. June.				1754.				
20.	To Import Warehousekr. recd. of him	5000	— —					
27.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Masr. ...	3000	— —					
30.	To Ditto	8000	— —					
		16000	— —	June. 30.	By Ballance	16000	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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2d. Sailed the Honble Company's Ship St. George Robert Robinson for Vizagapatam and Bengal.

4 Arrived Ship George Mons. Delouche, from Surat.

— Sailed Ship St. Catherina, Domingo Boontail for Mocao.

— Recd. by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 1st. Instant.

5TH. Sailed Ship Elizabeth, Edmund Massey for Bengal.

— This day about eleven of the clock anchored in the Road the Honble Compys Ship Denham, Captain George Meard bound for this presidency and Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

FRIDAY THE 5TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Packet from England p Denham open'd.

The packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this presidency being opened and found to contain the several papers mention'd in a List thereof, the General Letter dated 23d. January last is now read.

Genl. Letter 23d. Jany read.

also a subsequent Letter of 31st. Jany & one to Coll. Scott.

Captain Meard delivers also a seperate packet containing a Letter directed to the President only which is delivered him, one directed to the President and Council of Bengal, which is ordered to be forwarded by the first conveyance, one directed to Caroline Frederick Scott Esqr. and one to this presidency dated 31st. Jany. which is likewise read.

Coll. Scott being dead, it is debated whether the abovementioned Letter directed to him should be open'd or not and the Board being of opinion that as it is not ordered to be return'd or destroy'd in Case of his death as has been sometimes practised and as it may possibly contain Directions for some steps to be taken at or before the arrival of the squadron which it would be proper to know it is therefore Expedient to open the Letter which is accordingly done and the same is now read dated the 31st. January.

Extracts to be sent to the Major, subordinates &ca.

ORDERED that an Extract of such paragraphs as relate to Military Affairs & the Troubles on this coast be immediately made and sent to Major Lawrence & that the several paragraphs relating to any of the other Settlements or to particular Employs at this presidency be also extracted to be sent or delivered to whom they may concern and that the Board do further consider of the most effectual method for carrying into Execution the several Orders and directions of Our Honble Masters contained in the said Letter.

Part of the Treasure to be coin'd and part reserved in Bullion for the Bay.

Gold to be coin'd into Current pagodas.

ORDERED that so much of the silver by this and the other coast and Bay ships as may be sufficient to make up the proportion of Bullion to be sent to Bengal be reserved for that purpose and that the rest be coin'd into Rupees with expedition and that the Gold by this Ship be sent into the Mint to be coin'd into Star or current Pagodas.

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An Order is now sign'd to Captain George Meard for the delivery of the Military and Treasure on board the Denham consign'd to Bengal and the Ware and Stores consign'd to this presidency. Order sign'd to deliver Treasure &ca.

AGREED that ten thousand (10000) Pagodas be advanc'd the Company's painters and the Import Wareh°.keeper accordingly pays that sum into Cash for Rupees sold. advance to the painters. Impo. Wareho.kr. pays in for Rups. sold.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

Recd. by Pattamar Gen^{l}. Letter from Vizagapatam dated 12th. Ult°. 6TH

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESID^{T}. SUNDAY THE 7TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXAND^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

This morning early anchored in the Road the Hoñble Company's Ship York, Captain Edward Ward who being come on shore with a packet from the Hoñble Court of Directors, the same is now opened and found to contain the several papers mention'd in the List thereof, the Gen^{l}. Letter being of the same Tenour and Date as that recd. the 5th. Instant, Captain Ward also delivers another packet containing Duplicates of the seperate packet recd. from Captain Meard. York arrives from England.

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Ward for the delivery of the Treasure and Military on board the York consign'd to Bengal and the Wares and Stores consign'd to this presidency. Order sign'd for the delivery of Treasure &ca.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

Arrived ship Madelaine de Boulet from Pondicherry. 7TH

Sailed the Hoñble Company's Ship Triton Captain Gilbert Slater for China, the dispatches having been this morning delivered to him and a General Letter to Mess^{rs}. Mesiner Burrou, Hume and Mapletoff Supra Cargo's. —

Recd. by Tappies, General Letter from DeveCotah dated 4th. Inst. —

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AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. JOHN SMITH.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. HENRY POWNEY.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 8TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on ye. Table.

The Minutes of the last three Consultations dated 1st. 5 & 7th. read & signed.

Hospital reported.

Mr. Alexander Wynch reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no other cause of complaint than that the Cooleys employ'd there do not give the proper attendance and recommends it to the consideration of the Board whether some of the Company's Coffreys might not be more under command and answer the end better ORDERED that four coffrey slaves do constantly attend the Hospital.

General Letters read Vizt.

General Letters recd from Devecotah.

No. 124 and No. 126 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah the first dated the 1st. Instant advising that the Bramineys whom we lately ordered to be releas'd begin to grow Clamarous and demand to be put in possession of the Grain they pretend to be entitled to by virtue of their Cowles, that the Dragon sloop is still cruizing for the Europe shipping, but without meeting any, that the Chially Merchants have not yet brought in their Musters but promise to do it in a day or two, that he has wrote to St. David on the subject and expect their answer, that he encloses the Killedar of Palam Cotah and Mr. Fraser their accounts and desires we will inform him whether they are right, that the former will pay as soon as we approve the account and as to the latter he desires our directions whether to send the account to the Major or in what other manner to recover the Ballance, that he has repaired the pagoda where the powder used to be lodg'd and removed the powder back there as it is safer in that place than any where in the Fort. That the Pollygars are quite negligent of their duty and act as if they were not subject to any Government or controul which he desires may be redress'd that he has since his last advices rais'd 150 seapoys but he has no arms for them. The second is dated the 4th. Instant and acknowledges the receit of our Letter of the 27th. Ulto. to which he promises due regard, and advises that Morarow has separated from the Enemy at Seringham who are endeavouring to obtain his Return but he refuses unless they pay him six Lacks which are due to him & advance him six more. That he is advised great discontents have arisen among the Seapoys at Chellumbrum for want of their pay, that they desist daily but yet the Enemy find means to enlist others by fair promises. That the Dragon is still on the Cruize between that place and Trimlewash.

Visagpatam.

No. 125 from George Pigot Esqr. Chief &ca. Council at Vizagapatam dated the 12th. June acknowledging the receit of our Letters of the 8th. 19th. and 29th. May and advising that they have shew'd all the Civilities in their power to the Dutch who have recover'd 30,000 Rupees of the Ruins of Bimblepatam to which place they are return'd but it will be some time before they can carry on any Business giving an account of a late advantage gain'd over the Rajah by the Morattas who then march'd southward plundered as they went, that they are apprehensive the French will settle in Casimcota Fort they having mounted some Guns on the Walls and declared their Intention of continuing there, that the Rajah is with them from whom they shortly expect to hear whether this Report may be credited that they have lately had 21 deserters come

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in from the French of whom they have kept as many as they have thought prudent and sent the rest to Bengal on the Syren sloop which touch'd there for Water, that they were in hopes of supplying us with 400 Bales for Our October Dispatch, but now fear the troubles will put it out of their power, however the Merchants promise to exert themselves, that Mr. Heath and Ensign Hart are arrived, that the Rice they have already recd. from us and what We promise them together with what they have in store will be sufficient till the arrival of the shipping from Bengal in September, desiring that the account sortments may be sent them, and that We will acquaint them, whether Mr. Heath is to build the Wall from Martin's point to Tornery's Battery enclosing Monthly papers.

On a representation of the China Captn. they are not to be detained for Redwood.

The several Commanders of the China Ships representing that it grows late in the season, and that a further detention tho' but a few days may make a great difference in their passage to Canton, therefore they submit to the Board how far it must be for the Company's Interest to keep them untill the Redwood provided for the China Market can be all shipp'd, the Board are of opinion that so much of the Redwood as can be shipp'd by the times the said Commanders respectively declare they can be in readiness to sail be laden accordingly and the dispatches prepared.

Petition of Capt. Polier.

The petition of Captain Polier de Bottens read as entered hereafter representing the disadvantages and losses he suffered in the Cloathing his Company upon the present Regulation and requesting that he may be paid as well for the past as the future the two pence ℔ day stopp'd for cloathing of the Company for such men as are killed, die of their Wounds or are made prisoners. That he may be allowed his charges in transporting his Cloathing to his Company at Tritchinopoly being ten pagodas that Major Lawrence having been oblig'd on acco[t]. of his Health to leave the army under his command he [has] neither had the benefit of the Table allowed the Comman[der] in Chief nor several other perquisites, he therefore desires he may have the 15 Rupees ℔ day allowed the Commander in Chief for Batta during the time he commanded.

The Mayors opinion to be taken thereon.

AGREED that a Copy of the said Letter be sent to Major Lawrence and his opinion desired thereon.

Letter from the Paymr. in answer to Mr. Brohiers Letter.

Letter from Mr. Charles Boddam Paymaster read as entered hereafter, being an answer to Mr. Brohiers Letter read in consultation the 25th. Ulto.

Messrs. Powney Smith and Bourchier a committee to examine Messrs. Boddam & Brohier's Letter and report.

ORDERED that both Mr. Boddam's & Mr. Brohiers Letters be referr'd to Messrs. Henry Powney, John Smith and Charles Bourcheir, who are appointed a Committee to examine into the several allegations on both sides and Report a true state to the Board with their opinion thereon.

The Dutys collected at Chintadre Pettah recommended to the Company to be abolish'd after Payment of their Debt.

The President acquaints the Board that since Orders have been given for collecting the Dutys formerly paid to Chintadree Pettah many of the principal Inhabitants have complained of it as a very great Hardship, but on being told that the said Dutys are levy'd in consequence of the Company's Orders and to discharge a Debt due to them from the undertakers of that pettah they submit to the payment thereof but request that they may be relieved from the burthen after the Company's dues are satisfy'd, the Board being of opinion that Taxes of this kind, originally imposed for the aggrandizing of Dubashes* in power to other leading men amongst the Blacks are very grievous to the Trader and industrious Labourer AGREED that it be recommended to the Company to abolish the same after payment of their Debt.

* From Hind. *dobashi*, man of two languages; an interpreter, broker, *Love's Vestiges*, Vol. I, page 127.

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No furth er Dutys to be collected for Chearcad charity House.

ORDERED that no further dutys be collected on account of Chearcad charity house situated to the Northward of the Black Town, and the publick notice thereof be given by Beat of Tom Tom.

Export Wareho.kr. to make good Deficiencys ℔ ships arrived in Europe 1753.

ORDERED that the Goods wanting by the Ships arrived in England 1753 as ℔ account thereof recd. by the China Ships be made good by the respective Export Warehousekeeper.

Swords for Bengall [℔] York and Denham [to] be landed.

THERE being three Cases of swords on board the York and as many on board the Denham consign'd to Bengal, AGREED that they be landed here, arms of all sorts being much wanted.

Money paid in from the Mayors Court accot. the Estate of Ralph Taylor.

A Certificate from the Accountant General of the Mayors Court is read that the Regr. of the said Court is to pay into the Honble Company's Cash the sum of two hundred and forty eight Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and twenty four Cash (248. 27. 24) which is to be placed to the account of the Accountant General and to the Credit of the Estate of Ralph Taylor.

ORDERED that the said sum be received and a receit is now sign'd for the same accordingly.

Mr. Dowsell station'd for the present under the Secretȳ.

ORDERED that Mr. Robert Dowsell a Writer for the Establishment lately arrived on the York be station'd for the present under the Secretary.

Poonemalee Renter pays in part.

Royal Pundat Renter of the Poonemalee Country pays in ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas in part of six Month's Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. June last.

Linga Chitty pays in Mss. Pagodas & a Ballance paid him.

Linga Chitty pays in fifteen thousand Mss Pags. to compleat his Contract & ten thousand current Pags. are now paid him being the Ballance due to him on that Accot.

Advance to the Comy. & Money paid in for Rupees sold.

AGREED that eight thousand four hundred & five Pags. fourteen fanams and forty eight cash (8405. 14. 48) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad, to compleat which sum the Import Wareho.kr. pays in five thousand four hundred and five Pagodas fourteen fanams and forty eight Cash (5405. 14. 48) for Rupees sold.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHR. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

THE petition of Paul Polier De Bottens.

SHEWETH

THAT the losses he has been oblig'd to suffer of his own money advanced for the cloathing of his Company of Swiss soldiers upon those Men that have been killed or Dead of their wound or made prisoners in the different Engagements where his Company has been, obliged him to request that the Honble the

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President and Council will be pleas'd to order that the 2 pence which are retain'd for the Captains on account of the cloathings of the soldiers be paid him for the soldiers killed dead of their wounds or made prisoners of war or dead or lost in prison untill the end of the Year accounting from the day that the s^{d}. soldiers have been cloath[ed] as well for the pass'd [*sic*] as for the future by which means he will not be oblig'd any more to make war at his own Expence, and the said Captain humbly presumes to make this request by reason that it is not usual in any service in Europe, that the Captains suffer for the losses that happen in Engagements and for the service of their Masters, on the contrary they have in all services sufficient gratifications to make them amends not only for the losses in action but also for those they may suffer by Mortality or desertion of their Men which hitherto they have not had in the Hoñble Compys. service at least the Swiss Captains notwithstand^{g}. some of the Hoñble the Directors did give to understand to the said Captain that he would always draw for the cloathings compleat and that the Hoñble the Court of Directors intimated that it was a favour to him that they had pass'd him 160 Men which he had brought to England instead of 140 he should have brought according to his agreement the said Captain therefore humbly prays the Hoñble the Gov^{r}. and Council to consider that the same favour upon the terms he is paid for the Cloathings of his Company which is after the pay list of every month for the Effective Men is entirely to his disadvantage and evident loss because the more men he has brought to India the more he has been obliged to cloath and the more there is dead or deserted whose cloathing have been a clear loss to him for if he had done as Mess^{rs}. Chabbert and Schaub and had brought to England no more than 110 Men instead of 140 they should have brought he would have reap'd the benefit thereof for that the advance he has been oblig'd to make in Bengal of his own money would not have been so considerable as well as the Mortallity and desertion and for that the Hoñble Court of Directors would have treated him as they did Mess^{rs}. Chabbert and Schaub and remitted him as to them the moneys they had advanced for the raising of the 30th. Men they wanted in the agreed for compliment. The said Captain also prays the Hoñble the Gov^{r}. & Council that they will please to order that he may be repaid the charges he has been at in the Month of January last for the transporting of the cloathings of his Company from Fort S^{t}. David to Tritchinopoly amounting to 10 pagodas of which he has not been able to obtain the payment in the Army under pretence that it was not known if the Hoñble Company must pay for it or not. The said Captain also begs leave to represent to the Hoñble the Gov^{r}. and Council that Major Lawrence finding himself in a bad state of health and oblig'd to quit the camp to retire himself to Tritchinopoly did leave to the said Captain as senior the Command of the Army leaving him no other orders than to do and act as he should judge proper and necessary for the service, that he was going to Tritchinopoly to take care of his Health and that he would not trouble himself with any thing untill his health would permit him to do his Duty the aforesaid Captain Commandant from the 18th. April till the 12th. May on which day he had the honour to command in the General Engagement which happened that day between the two armies and which thanks to the Lord & to the bravery and good conduct of our Troops was terminated to the honour of the Arms of the Hoñble Company, the said Captain then recd. two wounds, besides a deal Ball upon the left knee, which oblig'd him after having conducted the army under the canon of Tritchinopoly to retire himself into the Fort to be cured of his wounds and reestablish his health, and that the said Captain has not recd. for the time he has commanded as chief the benefit of the Table allowed by the Honble Company to the Chief Commander as well as several other perquisites, wherefore the said Captain prays the Honble the Gov^{r}. & Council that the Batta of 15 Rupees for each day (which has been allowed to other Captains who have commanded in Chief) may be allowed him for the days he has commanded the army.

And Your Petitioner shall Pray &c^{a}.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am sorry for the occasion of troubling this Board a second time, but however averse, I may be to disputation of any sort, there is an absolute necessity for replication when characters are called in Question, not only to justify as well as display ill grounded assertions, but sometimes also to examine the motives for such a Behaviour that mine in particular is aim'd at in the Letter now under consideration, I think too plainly appears thro the whole, I mean Captn. Brohiers, which is not only an answer to that I address'd the Board with some days past, and was a reply to Colonel Scotts on the same subject, but also an endeavour to lay more odium on the Paymaster's conduct, tho' I am persuaded the little concern you are sensible I can possibly have in carrying on the Honble Company's Works with Dispatch or even economy, will induce you to think with me an answer quite facile and clear, however I shall not let pass unregarded any paragraph contained in this further Complaint.

Mr. Brohier conceives that Coll. Scott's assertion for the works being carried in an expensive manner is justly grounded, and that it partly proceeds from the Materials being furnish'd by the Paymaster at his own rate, Without Check or Controul, to which I answer as before, that I have ever charg'd the lowest Town price, and if a profit has been got on part of them it did not proceed from charging at my Own Price without Check or Controul (as is designedly suggested) but their being purchas'd at a distance in such manner, that would afford a small premium and yet not be over the Market, for tis not to be supposed, but that there are perquisites in all Employs, the Paymaster's as well as I presume there are in being Captain of the Train; the Honble Company, this Board and all the World knows it, and when they are obtain'd by Industry and not to the detriment of constituents are lawfull and just.

In answer to the paragraph relating to Bricks at the rate they are charg'd to the Company, I get little or nothing by them, and however extravagantly dear they may be thought, it will be seen now there is a Committee appointed for that purpose, whether they can be agreed for on better terms, as to those out of the common dimensions said to be exorbitantly rated thô promiscuously burnt with the rest, I must beg leave to inform the Board that in the very moulding of them, I pay the Brickcutters, infinitely more than I do for others, and this is not the whole nor material objection for enhancing their value, the least flaw or crack is sufficient for rejection, & they are not otherwise, saleable than as turn'd out Bricks and it's often found of one thousand put in the Kilns for Burning, not a Quarter has been serviceable the same hold good with regard to the well Bricks charg'd at 100 Pags. ℔ Lack, if they are not entirely whole are rendered likewise useless, but admitting them ever so dear no more is now paid for them has for a series of Years and that the Honble Board may be a Judge of this futile charge, I have annexed the whole quantity of these amazing dear articles by me furnish'd since Madrass has been the Presidency and then please to ponder within yourselves the cause or rather insufficiency for so malign a Representation.

12	Inch paving Bricks		N°. 1318	@	P. 2000	℔ Lack		P. 26	11	79
10	Inch	Do.	.. 3613	..	1500	do.	..	50	6	40
8	Inch	Do.	.. 1803	..	1000	do.	..	18	1	7
6	Inch	Do.	.. 17935	..	620	do.	..	28	34	56
							Pags	123	18	22

This I think will shew that what has been offered on the subject is merely to exaggerate and not from any solid Foundation there is for complaint.

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Let the standard dimensions of Bricks, by Act of Parliament be what they will, those Ordered by Coll[l]. Scott's directions were of an extraordinary size, and never made here before, and tho' I agreed to deliver them 1500 for a Pagoda at Fort S[t]. David, I found it was not to be done here on account the scarcity and dearness of Wood.

As to the Brick layers artfully scooping the Clay out of the Moulds with their hands, they not making use of Boards for scraping off the surplus as in England, it is not to be remedy'd; attempts have been made by my Predecessors but without success, these country people have no notion of the European manner of working and it is well known by those the least conversant in their constitution and Genius the great difficulty or rather impracticability of drawing them from old practices, so tenacious and obstinate are they in the uses and habitudes of Life.

M[r]. Brohier has readily catch't hold of what I mention'd to this Honble Board in my Letter of the 8[th]. Ultimo. namely the advantage the Paymaster at Fort S[t]. David had of cutting firewood, my sole reason for it was to evince the apparent cause for my not being able to supply the Honble Company with Bricks of the standard Dimensions at the usual price, therefore I shall not take notice of his shrew'd remark further than by saying that on account the larger siz'd Mould M[r]. Robins ordered them to be made by, he thought it reasonable his consenting their price should be raiz'd.

I am excessively oblig'd to M[r]. Brohier for his compliance in allowing me the Expence of burning Bricks here to be greater than at Fort S[t]. David, and as to the other part of that paragraph relating to Firewood which fell in November storm 1752, I believe his Inclinations would induce him even to fix that upon me if he knew how so indefatigable is this Gentleman in flinging all the dirt he can, but I am ready to answer the Honble Board concerning it when called on.

I do affirm to be under large advances for the Company in procuring Materials of all sorts for their Works and the exclusive right of supplying the Inhabitants with Bricks and chunam at my Own Price (a vague tho' a favourite expression) has not made me amends, it is well known the Town people are supply'd at a fix'd Rate, till lately on account of the larger size Moulds of the Bricks, I have been oblig'd to raize that article. He thinks fit also to say I have engross'd the Materials imported by the shipping, surely M[r]. Brohier's Memory must be very treacherous, and to quicken that faculty, beg leave to mention a cargo of Timber brought from Pegue, in April last by Captain Moor, and I would fain ask him who were y[e]. purchasers of them, that I was not is certain but I have heard it taken notice of and I think at this Board, that it was brought by Captain Brohier & Duffield the Carpenter, I dont take upon me to say the view's they had in buying them but rather chuse to submit it to the consideration of this Honble Board. About the same time or a little after a Dutch ship arrived from Batavia with Plank &c[a]. I neither meddled with these but they were purchas'd by the Inhabitants of the place; this Gentlemen [*sic*] I believe will convince you of the ill grounded assertions contain'd in his Letter and that there is more malevolence than Zeal in its composition.

The next thing to be answered, is the curious Extract from the Paymaster's Books of Ballances due Monthly to the Honble Company and his Argum[ts]. on this Head are inconclusive, for tho' those Ballances might exceed any supplies the works received, yet on an average I have been under larger advances in Order to expediate the works all in my power even in the articles of Bricks and chunam alone and not to mention Materials on hand & money outstanding to procure more.

I come now to the further objection made by M[r]. Brohier for the advance I mention'd to be under on procuring Materials in General, which is that several articles ℔ Lists annex'd to his Letter have been purchas'd at the Buzar and Banksalls as wanted, & therefore could be no cause for a plea of that sort,

but before I quit this paragraph, I shall make it appear that in the List of Materials ungenerously said by him to be supplied by the Paymaster (amounting to Pags. 27857. 35. 25) there are several articles included bought of other people unknown to me, and that the Major part of them have been certified by himself, If this is the case I leave him to reflect on his artfull design of inserting them as supplied by me, but there would be no end of commenting on the unfair Proceedings in this Transaction, tho' what is now under consideration is of so flagrant and delusive a nature, that it requires to be examin'd, and I hope will not only plead an Excuse with this Honble Board for the digression but also bespeak your attention to the subject matter, Inclosed you have an account of the greatest part of the small articles which has been supplied all along by the Company's Conicoply, and to the best of my knowledge at prime cost, for a proof of which he tells me no money has been paid for them but in presence of the Engineer's conicoplys as a Check, I likewise take the liberty to present you with an Exact List of what I have furnish'd myself, as also those bought of other hands, all which collectively make up the Materials supplied the Honble Company from the commencement of this Presidency and are industriously accumulated in the abstract delivered as furnish'd by me, it occurs here likewise to mention tha[t] what I advanced in my last concerning Timber and pl [ank] being inconsiderable in proportion to other supplies, I had provided, is evident matter of fact and that out of Pags. 3819. 14. – paid for those articles and included as sold by me Pags. 1972. 33. 33 of it was purchas'd of other hands, all which I presume will be so conspicuous to the Honble Board at first sight, that you'll fathom the design of this zealous performance, and that there has been great pains likewise to make appear an increase of charge in a few hundred Pagodas in matters relating to the Paymaster; when thousands not under his management have been pass'd over in silence, can the Board think otherwise when you reflect on the money laid out in the repair of Egmore Fort and fitting it up for a powder Mill Pags. 7307. 13. 4. Triplicane Bridge Pags. 1753. 9. 73 the Engineers clerks, Assistants, Overseers Conicoplies &ca. Pags. 1986. 2. 74 amounting in all to Pags. 10866. 25. 71 and which have been often mention'd [. . . .] council, but we are left to suppose everything otherwise furnish'd is at best hand, and that the Conduct of Managers, Directors, Projectors &ca. in their several capacities are unexceptionable, but I submit if it would not be more eligible to propose and promote the forwardness of the Works than seeking ill grounded faults in trifles, for considering the little concern the Paymaster ever can have in the management of them the cause of Complaint must be somewhere else.

Mr. Brohier might with some shadow of Justice take notice of the several Batta's on cooleyhire, Bullockhire of Bricks & Chunam, Clay, Sand &ca. was not the Paymaster to receive fanams for that purpose, but if he will give himself the trouble to review those accounts from whence he extracted his Ballances due Monthly from me to the Honble Company he will find that all he can say on the subject is null and void.

It concerns me to resume the matter for refuting the Engineer in what I set forth with regard Mr. Robins's encreasing the pay to Labourers of all sorts tho' no ways reflecting on that Gentleman, whose memory I shall always esteem and regard, and I believe on this point it will suffice, that I refer it to your own Experience and knowledge whether within these few years the pay to artificers &ca. have not been, encreas'd one Moity at least.

As for Chunam with all the glaring advantages mention'd to accrue on that account, I am confidently persuaded cannot be provided on more tolerable terms by other Contractors, neither will there be any supplies brought to the works without large advances are made for it.

I do call it an injurous [*sic*] assertion to say the Honble Company are served with broken Bricks and those none of the best, can there be a more severe accusation does it not imply that the Company has no good Bricks at all and how has Mr. Brohier supported it Vizt. that he does not assert possitively that

is the case, but that it may be so, and give me leave to appeal to the Honble Board if this is Equity, on the contrary is it not sporting with my character to the last degree, may not every thing be concluded from any thing on the same principles, and might I not with as much propriety say the Engineer charg'd more Artificers &c^{a}. than actually work'd and when called on to support it, answer, if it was not so, it might be so, but I am sorry for the occasion of repeating it. M^{r}. Brohier further complains the Bricklayers station'd at the Kilns have not done their duty, are they by my appointment or is the Paymaster culpable for their conduct, but I humbly submit to your superior Judgements the force of such arguments.

The Bullock hire of Bricks at Fort S^{t}. David was wholly paid by the Company and I did not imagine any objections could be made to it here, however if any future Contractors furnish wall Bricks at a less price than I have supplied them including Bullock hire, I shall readily submit to any allowance this Honble Board shall seem requisite and I cannot conceive it any imposition when it is not to be done cheaper, which I flatter myself the Event will prove.

I shall just lay before you the incongruity there appears in that paragraph of M^{r}. Brohiers Letter wherein he is pleased to say he has not seen any account of the Paymaster's since last July and at the same time presents the Board with an Abstract of Ballances taken from those Books to December 1753 his memory is certainly vastly deceiving, especially in this particular, for I should be glad to know from whence he gather'd those Ballances, if not from my accounts and whether the Inspection of any matter concerning the Employ has ever been denied him or how he makes out his Expence for the works unless he has from me the price of Materials & yet this Gentleman asserts he knows nothing of my charge to the Company or would he insinuate that I make out one account to him and another to them, but I am apt to believe the order of Council last year, that no materials should be kept in the Engineer's Possession has a little chagrin'd him, how otherwise can I account for this absurdity.

I hope with M^{r}. Brohier the Method ordered to be pursued for the better carrying on the Honble Company's works will be found big with Benefits as it will give me great satisfaction if any savings can be made, and in the course thereof it will be seen the large advances the Paymaster inevitably must have been under for the procuring Materials, and were they not at hand the Clamour in that case would have been the works, stood still for want of them.

I humbly beg leave to be inform'd if M^{r}. Brohier acting in his Employ as Engineer is so independant as not to be subject to any controul and whether I am to observe an implicit obedience to his commands, I think the following Letter that I received from him the 5th. Instant implies as much and give me leave to premise the cause that produced it, was his blending several Conicoplies mighty obscurely in the cooley account, which I forbid.

To Charles Boddam Esq^{r}.

Sir

Having long since appointed the persons mention'd here under as Conicoplies to take an account of the Workman and Materials employ'd on the Works daily and those People complaining to me of their being curtail'd in their pay must desire you'll be pleas'd to order them to be paid from the 1st. Instant and daily in future as they had been paid since I appointed them.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Sign'd J. Brohier.

Fort S^{t}. George,
June the 1754.

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Vencataisha. Tooneroy.	} 2 fanams each.		
Trimlepah.		Arnachillum.	fa. ca. 1. 40 p^{r}. day each.
Aunanden.		Andeapah.	
Ramah.		Vensenada.	
Mootoo Comrah.		Verritah.	
Condapah.		Serrevonah.	

My answer to the foregoing I kept no copy of tho' I presume M^{r}. Brohier has preserved the original and with due difference and respect to this Hoñble Board, I cannot but offer it as my opinion the falling on some expedient for knowing the number of artificers &c^{a}. really employ'd on the works daily by a more certain method than at present practis'd which is mustering them at the close of the evening when Labour is over and they said to be the Workmen of that day on publick service and paid accordingly, but may not others creep into the croud acquainted with the hour that has been differently employ'd the preceeding part of the day; perhaps on private Jobbs for the European Bricklayer and carpenter the former of whom you'll please to remark is the first Overseer and teller of the Cooleys at least the late order of Council (from what has been undertaken since) seems necessary to be enforc'd for preventing this and the like Malpractices, the carpenters Yard is wholly under the direction of the Engineer and I presume to recommend as proper to be inspected into, that no Imbozzlements [*sic*] are committed of Materials delivered to be expended on the Hoñble Compys account, as that Check and controul he claims over the Paymaster in his Branch of business and I humbly entreat of this Board that you will be pleas'd in future to assign the seperate duty of the different Employs and submit if the raising of pay adding neu servants or in any shape increasing the charge of the Works is to be done without your knowledge and consent.

Lastly I proceed to take notice of a Letter to the President read the 25th. Instant at the same time with that I have just gone through, M^{r}. Brohier apprehends my mentioning to the Gov^{r}. his serving Rice to the Workmen may convey some unfavourable Ideas of his Integrety, and if he means with regard to the Zeal he professes for the Hoñble Companys Interest, I own I think so to, maugre all his Efforts, and that it was very impolitick of him. 'twas lately and by accident I came to the knowledge of it—the Companys Conicoply complaining to me that the Cooleys had been long murmering at their being oblig'd to take Rice instead of Money, and that neither so good or at so cheap a rate as they could buy it elsewhere.

In January and February 1753 it seems M^{r}. Brohier began to have thoughts of setting Rice to the Cooleys, in consequence of their repeated supplication on that head and in March put it into Execution by purchasing out of the Company's Godowns and Banksalls as set forth, and serving it every other night from the latter place he might furnish himself, but as to the former tho' they were open from 16th. November 1752 till the end of January 1753 it dont appear by the Warehouse Diary Captain Brohier had any more than Pag^{s}. 53$\frac{1}{8}$ in Rice at three several times Viz^{t}. 19th. 21, and 23^{d}. January and that for family use—there was no more sold 'till 5th. December 1753 (9 Months after he had served) and continued 'till 23^{d}. January 1754, in all which time, I dont find a Grain delivered him. so that his first purchase and distribution must have been either from the Banksalls, or out of 14 Garce 18 Mercalls he imported in February from the Northward as ℔ Sea Gate Grain Book and from whence was all the rest procured which cou'd be no small quantity for serving 1057 People 15 days in a Month for 15 Months together, that from his own account on an average he did and that there has been paid his conicoplys by the Hoñble Company's from March 1753 to May 1754 two hundred eighty one thousand two hundred and thirty six fanams fifty Cash or Pagodas 7812. 4. 50 as ℔ account annex'd, however it's not material, where, when and from whom it was

bought, I only have shewn it could not be out of the Company's Godowns, and here I think the weakness of his arguments appears, and the whole parade of relieving the Wants of the poor Labourers falls of coarse, for I would ask what is the Chief reason for purchasing and laying Rice in store by the Company, but in times of scarcity to supply the Inhabitants to relieve the necessities of the Indigent by their having recourse thereto, and to render it the more efficatious by it's not being engross'd, the Gov^r. out of a humane disposition has often told me not to suffer the conicoplies to sell more than a pagodas worth at a time to any of the Black People which was strictly adherr'd to. If then such a provision is made, where was the necessity of M^r. Brohiers supplying, but I will even suppose the extream scarcity he represents how long could it subsist, in January Grain was daily importing and plenty there was of it as well as a fine harvest at home to make it remarkably cheap, for generally speaking this want is only about a Month before the fresh Imporation, to wit in December, and if the intention of retailing Rice was from Bowells of Commisseration divested of any advantage, it must have soon dropp'd, as for serving the Company, it's too foreign to suppose it, they are such acts of supereogation as seldom to be met with and never expected, I shall now set forth the Incoherency there seems to be in his representing that my conicoply should go on the Works and harrangue the people concerning their taking Rice and through the fear of so powerfull a man readily consented to take money as Grain is cheap. And first I beg to observe my private Conicoply has never interferr'd in any shape in that Business much less in paying the cooleys or disbursing of the Companys Money, I have no Conicoply but the Companys and the Truth of the Matter is this I told him that none of the Engineers People had any thing to do in paying of the Workmen, and reprimanded him for acting as he had done so many Months without my knowledge and consent, his Reply was that the Engineers conicoplys acquainted him, the Gov^r. approved their having Rice if they pleas'd every other day, but no ways crediting the relation, I ordered him to see every man paid himself agreeable to his Duty and that no money should be given into the Hands of other Conicoplys on any account whatever, this he terms harranguing the people and with the cheapness of Grain influenc'd them in favour of Money and tho' Mr. Brohier is pleas'd to pass the matter over in so favourable a light to himself, by saying it has been an ease and an Indulgence to them, yet it dont appear they were sensible thereof or satisfy'd with it, for I am credibly inform'd and if required shall be given upon Oath that when it was put to them for their choice of Money or Rice they answered if they were oblig'd to take any more of the latter they would desert the place, for they were not at all pleased and instead of option it was compulsion, that Grain had been very cheap and plenty many months, and the dread of flagettation alone prevented them from seeking Redress. If the case was otherwise of being that ease and Indulgence so much boasted of, would they not have renew'd their Intreaties for a continuance of his wanted Goodness, for I will not suppose with him the Company's Conicoply to be that tremenduous man.

I am surpriz'd M^r. Brohier should imagine he could impose on this Board in so palpable a manner with the abstract he has given of workmen and cooleys employ'd daily on the works, as to make it appear that the selling of Rice has been of service in procuring numbers. What opportunities has not this Gentleman thrown in my way of exposing the frivilousness of his arguments and rendering them abortive. In the beginning of last Year the Fortifications to the Westward was set about and there was a want of workmen and cooleys to any number that could be obtain'd for expediting the progress thereof, and how was it effected, thirty or forty peons appointed under the Engineer, were sent out to different parts to bring in all they could pick up of every profession, in consequence thereof Gardners Husbandmen, Workmen from the salt pans &c^a. were forcibly brought to the Works, nay there was such a diligent and strict search, that I believe some at this Honble Board may remember had artificers taken from them, who were imploy'd either in repairing their Habitations or making some necessary Furniture, and many are the Inhabitants that

have suffered in having a stop put to their Business by being deprived of their servants, particularly the salt farmers have complain'd of the great loss in that Branch, not to mention the assistance given by application to the Polligar and Poonemalee Renter of their allotting a number of Cooleys from every village within their districts, but it seems these measures having been ineffectual and that the expedient of delivering Rice on the Works, has enticed and attracted the Multitude. All which I humbly submit to your consideration and Judgement and dont in the least doubt your ordering a continuance of the same practice, if it appears to you Beneficial, and for the service of Our Honble Masters —if you please one Remark more and I have done with the subject, Grain has been singularly cheap for many Months, but if it has been the alluring Bait where was the necessity for those rigourous means to be pursued that I have related.

To conclude, I have done all in my power for the Interest and advantage of the Honble Company in the Employ I at present hold, and do sincerely believe that Mr. Brohier's aim in his attack upon me has proceeded from no other cause than that in time he might have the whole Management of the Works to himself, in providing all sorts of supplies and to put it out of the power of any Paymaster to interfere with him, and this is a priviledge the Engineers in Europe are known to have, though the Command of a Company in the Train here is so profitable and pretty a Post, and which Mr. Brohier has had conferr'd on him through the great favour of the Honble Company for the Trouble of acting in the Engineers Employ, I think he may be very well contented his obtaining it and not so soon to grasp and aspire at more.

I have now answered Mr. Brohiers Remarks on the Paymasters accounts &ca. without decending to any Particulars in his conduct and I hope to the satisfaction of this Honble Board, it remains therefore only for me to beg your examining the Merits of the charge and report it accordingly. I have the Honour to be with all imaginable Respect and Esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedient and most Humble Servant

CHARLES BODDAM.

FORT ST. GEORGE
30TH. JUNE 1754.

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EXTRACT of Materials supplied the Honble Company's Works by Tainagum the Company's Conicoply since the seat of the presidency from May 1752 to May 1754 inclusive and charg'd at prime cost but inserted in the Engineers account as received from the Paymaster to swell that Head of an encrease to the Works Viz^{t}.

Iron stones	5326 feet.	P. 113	7	41
Sand	64010 Parahs	592	18	50
Clay	57557½ Basketts	92	4	60
Tiles	544678	262	7	9
Flat Tiles	18170	6	24	32
Bengall Twine	315¾ lb.	17	1	40
Glue	75½ lb.	21	23	45
Well Rope	17993	70	24	50
Rattans	700	2	12	—
Potts and Pans	25196	87	17	40
Basketts	38745	315	12	50
Rattan Basketts	1308	35	34	40
Bailing Do.	452	15	25	—
Gingerly Oil	1993½ seers.	78	9	20
Lamp Do.	647 Do.	20	2	—
Coconut Do.	36 Do.	2	33	—
Straw	1405 Bundles.	78	29	60
Sea Weeds	138 Bundles.	5	14	40
Country hemp	242 Do.	7	7	50
Brooms	1548 Do.	5	13	10
Ladles	N^{o}. 853	1	1	5
Coconut shells	9041	4	16	70
Scives	154	2	30	—
Soops	106	1	3	50
Cadjan Matts	4386	114	35	70
Leather Rope	409	13	3	60
Salt	388 Mercalls	5	14	—
Bamboo Matts	676	23	25	40
Bellows	4	—	11	—
Cadjan Rope	8277	5	27	26
Silk Tape	..	—	10	—
Chunam Brush	277 Bundles.	6	9	—
Tincall	..	—	4	—
	Md. lb.			
Indigo	3 23½	13	28	16
Cloth	860 Covids	27	35	10
Greese	117 lb.	9	25	40
Lacker	10½ lb.	1	20	—
Coconut	21	—	7	—
Gram	95 Measures	3	—	—
Rice	24 Do.	—	28	—
Caddacoy	316¼ lb.	8	2	—
Bellapom	255¼ lb.	7	31	35
Ghee Fire, Eggs &ca.	..	14	14	70
Thread	87½ Rolls	2	24	25
Cowhorns	5	—	4	—
Wax	34 lb.	8	26	
Hartall	2¼ lb.	—	14	5
Red Lead	23 lb.	1	2	5
Verdigreese	2 lb.	—	29	—
Milk	..	—	4	—
Bamboo for scouring Water ..	43	14	12	—
Wood oil	1288 seers	126	1	76
	Md.			
White Lead	54 . 7¾	89	6	30
Red Earth	32 . 13	30	21	—
Bamboo for Dooleys	10	4	6	—
Coconut and palmeira Leaves ..	41705	32	16	70
Sky blue paint	4 lb.	—	8	—
	Carried over ..	2408	34	60

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	Brought forward	2408	34 60
Country steel	238½ lb.	14	25 20
Copper	6 lb.	1	26 40
Brass Works	513 lb	170	35 49
Charcoal	17381 soops	347	21 59
Coir Rope		6	17 —
Dammers	3523	39	12 10
Cotton Rope	18	3	— —
Rau Dammer	39 lb.	1	8 —
Cotton	3 lb.	—	3 40
Sheep skins	8	1	2 40
Fish skins	12	—	9 —
Blocks	7	3	18 —
Hand lines	2 skains.	—	22 —
Log lines	25 Dº.	7	24 —
Mamoties	741	221	9 40
Broken tiles	723 Basketts.	5	— 60
Water spouts	94	1	28 53
Country thin Reapers	6270	5	31 40
Linsed oil	½ seer.	—	3 —
Green cloth	19 Covids.	2	4 —
Wooden screws..	3	3	— —
Padlock	1	—	4 —
Country Piles	25	1	9 —
Gunney Baggs	8	—	20 —
Sail Needles	2	—	1 —
Black stones	7½ feet.	1	9 —
Flower	2½ seers.	—	2 40
Raw silk	..	—	1 —
Window Glasses	19	6	31 —
Paste	..	1	12 —
Tallow	24¼ lb.	3	7 40
Tin	2½ lb.	—	10 40
Tootenaigue	7¾ lb.	—	17 40
Vermillion	2 lb.	1	30 40
Chalk	117 lb.	2	6 —
Dark blue Paint	1½ lb.	5	5 —
Cotch	123 lb.	7	14 —
Country Plank	¼	—	24 —
Country Timber	..	1	— 40
Country sticks	19	2	18 —
	Ca. md.		
Jaggeree	34 7 20½	299	6 28
	PAGODAS ...	3581	26 59

A GENERAL LIST of Materials supplied by Charles Boddam Paymaster from the commencement of this Presidency May 1752 to May 1754 Inclusive.

Wall Bricks	8547998	P. 5691	13 63
Terrass Dº.	334835	152	8 20
Well Dº of 4 feet	250375	250	13 37
Paving Dº. of 6 Inches ..	17995	28	34 56
Dº. Dº. of 8 Dº. ..	1803	18	1 7
Dº. Dº. of 10 Dº. ..	3613	50	6 40
Dº. Dº. of 12 Dº. .	1321	26	12 79
Raw Bricks	408212	55	12 61
Pillar Dº.	850	4	11 25
Tiles	37925	18	34 52
Stone chunam	77493 Parahs.	6421	22 33
Shell Dº.	1637 Dº.	90	35 12
Palmeeras	21244	2620	28 44
	Carried over ...	15429	19 49

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	Brought forward ..	15429	19	49
Reepers	17158	316	25	49
Teak Timbers and planks ..	179	1305	27	—
Sheathing Boards	561	166	3	48
Country Timbers and Planks ..	6298	438	6	12
Country Piles	25329	535	29	68
Marguy Timbers	71	1 7	—	—
Mallacca Planks	1670	133	21	48
Angineal D°.	52	92	4	40
	Ca.			
Redwood	276 17 3¼	833	17	34
Jaggeree	58 18 4	514	14	51
Mamootees	N°. 308	102	24	—
Firewood	2590	4	10	40
Lead	362 lb.	10	5	—
	Pagodas ..	20019	29	39

Extract of Materials purchased of sundry Persons and certified by the Engineer included in his List supplied by the Paymaster Viz^{t}.

Palmeiras	2576	P. 276	35	14
Teak Timbers Planks & Beams.	519	1972	33	33
Sheathing Boards	1900	375	9	70
Reepers	4907	98	5	3
Angineal Planks	12	36	—	—
Mallacca Planks	3000	212	18	—
Redwood	Ca^{s}. 11 4 5¾	32	25	28
Jaggeree	23 24 7½	117	17	8
Cart	1	21	—	—
Ships Masts &c^{a}.	..	128	—	—
Empty Casks	5	5	—	—
	Pagodas ..	3275	35	76

Total Amount of Materials supplied Viz^{t}.			
By Charles Boddam Paymast^{r}.	P. 20019	29	39
By Taiganum the Compys Concioply	3581	26	59
By Sundries as above certified by M^{r}. Brohier ..	3275	35	76
Pagodas ..	26877	20	14

Abstract of Money paid by Tainagum the Compys Conicoply to the Engineer's for Rice supplied at times to the Workmen and Cooleys in the Honble Company's Service from March 1753 to May 1754 Inclusive Viz^{t}.

		Fanams	Cash
1753.	March	21462	30
	April	22439	20
	May	22928	10
	June	27059	20
	July	25471	—
	August	23457	40
	September	25487	—
	October	17628	—
	November	15741	60
	December	17165	70
1754.	January	11857	10
	February	10817	—
	March	13323	—
	April	13354	30
	May	13045	—
	Fanams ...	281236	50
	or Pagodas ...	7812	4 50

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EXTRACT of the Engineers Charge for Assistants, Writers Overseers &c[a]. taken from his own account from May 1752 to May 1754 Inclusive VIZ[T].

	From May 1752 to April 1753 Viz[t].					
	Mr. Charles O'Hara Assistant	P.	178	20	8	
	Writers		291	13	16	
	4 Overseers		273	24	—	
	1 Conicoply		58	6	—	
	1 Interpreter		23	27	48	
						825 18 72
1753.						
May	Mr. Charles O'Hara Assistant		14	12	54	
	3 Writers		30	—	—	
	5 Overseers		41	—	—	
	1 Conicoply		5	—	—	
	1 Interpreter		2	18	—	
						92 30 54
June	Ditto					92 30 54
July	Ditto					100 30 54
August	Mr. Robert Barker Assistant		15	—	—	
	3 Writers		30	—	—	
	4 Overseers		35	—	—	
	1 Conicoply		5	—	—	
	1 Interpreter		2	18	—	
						87 18 —
Sept[r].	Ditto					87 18 —
Octob[r].	Ditto					87 18 —
Novem[r].	Ditto					87 18 —
Decem[r].	Ditto					87 18 —
1754.						
Janry.	Ditto					87 18 —
Febry.	Ditto					87 18 —
March	Ditto					87 18 —
April	Ditto					87 18 —
May	Ditto					86 18 —
		PAGODAS ...				1986 2 74

N.B.

Sundry Conicoplies &c[a]. included in the Cooley account not inserted here which has been an additional charge to the Works.

Sign'd the following Dispatches Viz[t]. — 10th.

Gen[l]. Letter to Mess[rs]. Liell, Walker & Horner Supra Cargos of the Essex at Canton.

Dispatch to Captn. Geo. Jackson of the Essex.

Gen[l]. Letter to Mess[s]. Liell, Walker & Horner Supra Carog's of the Ilchester at Canton. — all dated this day

Dispatch to Captn. John Tedd of the Ilchester.

Gen[l]. Letter to Mess[rs]. Misenor, Harrison and Burrow Supra Cargo's of the True Briton at Canton.

Dispatch to Captn. Henry Broadley of the True Briton.

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Sailed the Hoñble Company's Ships Essex, Captain Geõ Jackson, Ilchester Captain John Tedd and True Briton Captain Henry Broadley, for Canton. 11TH.

Sailed ship Nostra, Signora de Carma, formerly the Fort S^{t}. David, Juan Ribeira Guimer, for Mocao. —

Arrived the Hoñble Companys Ship Protector, Captain William James from Fort S^{t}. David with a General Letter dated the 10th. Instant. —

Sign'd Dispatches to Captain Thomas Hinde, of the Onslow for Canton, and General Letter to Mess^{s}. Thomson Blount, Sandys, Tead and Torin, Supra Cargos of s^{d}. ship. —

Sailed the Hoñble Company's Ship Onslow, Thomas Hinde for Canton. 12

Recd̃ by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 9th. Instant.

Sent by Peons General Letters to Vizagapatam, Ingeram and Madapollam dated this day. 13TH.

Sailed Ship S^{t}. George, De Louche for Bengall. 14TH.

Arrived Ship Prince Edward, Hamilton Parkinson, from Batavia and Fort Marlbrõ with a packet from the Supravisors and Council. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXAND^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 15TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read and sign'd.

M^{r}. Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital and Found no just cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 127 and N^{o}. 128 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David the first dated the 9th. Instant acquainting us that they are landing the stores from the Protector and propose to dispatch her the next day. That the Trevendeporum Renters absolutely refuse to swear unless their Oath for their Losses in 1753 and 1754 be admitted at once and as to paying they say their losses render them incapable. That the Tents we mention to be charg'd at two [*sic*] high a rate were made by the late storekeeper M^{r}. S^{t}. Paul and cost pretty near the same as those made formerly so that if there be any abuse it must be in quality or size, but they will carefully inspect those made in future. That their Merchants have requested an advance on their Cloth of one Pagoda ℔ corge alledging the dearness of cotton occasion'd by the Troubles which being refused 'twas with difficulty they could be prevailed on to go on with the Investment at the usual rate. That they have discharg'd Paupa Rauze and Irchippa's Chitty's Ballances & advanc'd each of them 5000 Pagodas Govindu Chitty and Cawn Moodelaire have promised to bring in Cloth, but are not to be rely'd on. That on enquiry they do not find any stoppages have been made from the Invalids. That they are in great want of Covenanted Servants to carry on the Company's Business Mess^{rs}. Saunders, Carey and Johnson being ill and M^{r}. Newton gone to Tanjore, and they request as many as can be spared or Monthly writers in lieu, the other is dated the 10th. Instant and advises that having landed every thing from the Protector except one Bundle of steal, which is difficient they dispatch her back to us. Genl. Letters from St. David.

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from Fort Marlbro.

N°. 129 Duplicate Gen[l]. Letter from John Walshand John Pybus's Esq[r]. Supravisors and Council at Fort Marlbro (the original ℔ Prince George not yet recd) dated 12[th]. Febry. 1754.

N°. 130 General Letter from the said Supravisors and Council at Fort Marlbro dated 12[th]. May 1754.

from the Supravisors.

N°. 131 Duplicate separate Letter from the said Supravizors at Fort Marlbro (the Original ℔ Prince George not yet recd) dated 12[th]. Febry. 1754.

N°. 132 seperate Letter from the said Supravizors at Fort Marlborough dated 13[th]. May 1754.

from Do· to Coll. Scott.

N°. 133 from the Supravizors to Co[l]. Scott dated the 10[th]. May 1754.

Referr'd to the West Coast Committee.

The abovemention'd Letters from Fort Marlbro containing an account of Our Honble Masters affairs on that Coast and of the proceedings of the Supravizors in the Execution of their commission ORDERED that the said Letters with the several Papers in the packet be referr'd to the consideration of the President, M[r]. Charles Boddam and M[r]. Henry Powney a Committee for affairs relating to the West Coast.

St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at S[t]. David be acquainted they may admit of the Trevendeporam Renters taking one Oath as to their Losses for 1753 and 1754 if the Year be compleat, that as soon as all the Writers coming to us from Europe are arrived we shall supply them with as many covenanted servants as can be spared, and in regard to the Faggot of Steal said to be deficient ℔ Protector, Captn. James assures us it was sent ashore in Boat N°. 7 and produces his Bill of Lading regularly endors'd, the deficiency must therefore be made good by the Storekeeper.

Letter from the Committee for the Works.

Letter from the Committee for conducting the Works, read as entered hereafter, acquainting the Board that no person having yet offered any proposals for making and furnishing the Company with Bricks and the Works being at a stand for want of them, they propose that Bricks be made at the Company's Expence and offering their opinion as to the Method of bringing them to account, desiring that a sufficient sum may be advanced to begin this undertaking, also acquainting the Board that no proposals have yet been made for supplying the Company with chunam, but they have sent to several Polygars in relation thereto.

Bricks to be made at the Compys Expence. 1000 Pagodas to be advanc'd for that purpose.

That the Progress in the works may not be retarded for want of Bricks the Board acquesce [*sic*] in the Committee's proposals and one thousand Pagodas are now ordered to be advanc'd them to begin this Business whenever they apply for the same.

Report of dificiencys ℔ China ship paid for by the Commanders.

The Import Warehousekeeper, Storekeeper & Military Storekeeper respectively deliver in the accounts of deficiencys and damage in the Wares and Stores by the Ships Essex, Triton, Ilchester, True Briton and Onslow which have been paid for by the respective Commanders.

ORDERED that the said accounts be entered hereafter.

Lead lost in the surf & Broad Cloth damag'd.

Letter from the Import Wareh°.k[r]. read as entered hereafter, representing that three Boats having been overset in the surff, one with 20 slabs of Lead and the other two with 17 Bales of Broad Cloth, 6 slabs of the Lead were lost, But the Bales were all saved and being immediately opened and dry'd only 121 p[s]. of Cloth are slightly damaged requesting the Boards order thereon.

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ORDERED that the Lead be wrote off to Profit and Loss and that the Damag'd Broad Cloth be sold at outcry at the next sale of Broad Cloth.

Lead to be wrote off. Broad cloth to be sold.

Letter from the Storekeeper read as entered hereafter, representing that a Boat with sundry stores coming a shore from one of the China ships was overset in the surf and three casks of Nails utterly lost.

3 Casks of Nails lost in the surf to be wrote off.

ORDERED that they be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

The Military Storekeeper acquaints the Board that he had recd from the Ship Essex the quantity of 5000. 3 Pounder Round shot, which number agrees with the Invoice but differ greatly in the Weight and consequently the value Vizt.

an error in the Essex's Invoice from Europe rectify'd.

		O	qr.	lb.		s.	d.				
Round shott 3 Pounder. (as ℔ Essex Invoice) 5000 p^{r}.	.. ..	258	2	23	@	15	5	£.	199	8	6
D^{o}. recd here 5000	oiz. ..	133	3	20	@	15	5		103	4	9
	difference ..	124	3	3					96	3	9

which being an apparent Error in the Invoice.

ORDERED that Account Current London be credited for the whole amount of the Invoice and Debted for the above charge being an Error.

Account Current London to be credited for the same.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an account sale of sundry decay'd stores (as ℔ Order of Consultation the 17th. Ulto.) amounting to eight Pagodas eleven fanams (8.11) ORDERED that it be entered hereafter.

Accot. sale of decay'd stores read.

The Petitions of John Macfarquhar surgeon of the York and Geoffrey Jones surgeon of the Denham read as entered hereafter, requesting the usual Gratuity for their care of the Company's Military Recruits landed here from the said ships.

Surgeons of the York & Denham Petition for Head Money.

ORDERED that the Military Paymaster discharge the same being first satisfy'd that there is no just cause of complaint.

Granted.

ORDERED that one thousand candy of the Honble Company's Lead be put up at Outcry on the usual terms on Wednesday the 14th. of August next.

1000 Candy of Lead to be sold the 14th August.

AND that five hundred Candy of their Iron be also put up at Outcry on Fryday the 16th. August and that publick notice be given thereof.

& 500 Candy of Iron the 16th.

Application being made to the Board for Payment for several Horses bought for the use of the Officers in Captain Forbes's detachment by Mistake, the order of Council the 17th. Ulto. which was signify'd to them being that they were to have an allowance for Horses till they joined the Army, AGREED that it be referr'd to Major Lawrence to set such a Value on the Horses on their arrival in camp as he may think them worth and take them at such a value, if the owners consent, on the Compys account for the use of the Troop.

The Board applied to for payment of several Horses bought by Mistake for Captn. Forbes's Detachment, referr'd to Major Lawrence.

A Certificate from the Accountant General of the Mayors Court is read that the Register of the said Court is to pay into the Honble Company's Cash the sum of two thousand five hundred and forty one Rupees (2541) at the Exchange of 370 Rups. ℔ 100 Pagodas being Pagodas 686. 27. 20 which is to be placed to the account of the Accountant General and to the Credit of the cause Chariman against Torose.

Acct. Genl. delivers in a certificate of Money to be paid in by the Mayors Court in a Cause Chariman ver. Torose.

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order thereon. ORDERED that the said sum be received and a Receipt is now sign'd for the same accordingly.

Commissarys accot. to Ulto. April produc'd. The Commissary lays before the Board his account of Disbursements on account of Nabob Annaverde Cawn Behauder compleat and Ballanc'd to the 30th. April last.

West Coast certificates to be accepted & paid. The following Certificates for money paid into the Honble Company's Cash at Fort Marlbro at 16½ Dollars for 10 Pagodas being presented to the Board Vizt.

								Pags.	fas.	Cã.
1 payable to Henry Vansittart			value of Jno. Walsh for	℔	5500		or	3333	12	—
1	d.	to	Do.	value of Jno. Pybus for		3250		or 1969	25	5
1	do.	to	D.	value of Thos. Combes for	2418	51	— or	1465	19	12
1	do.	to	Charles Bourchier	do. of do. for	2296	1	36	1391	25	27

which Bills being duly advised of ORDERED that they be accepted, payable in 10 days, and discharg'd when due.

Protector to be dispatch'd to Bombay. Captn. James of the Honble Companys ship Protector, representing that it will probably be a great hindrance to his passage should he be oblig'd to touch at St. David AGREED that he be dispatch'd directly to Bombay and that the remainder of the stores indented for from Fort St. David with a Lack of Rupees be sent thither on the Ketch St. John Baptista, a freight Vessell bound to that place.

Treasure &ca. to be sent to St. David by the St. John. Baptista.

Bombay to be wrote to. AGREED that a Copy of the 26th. Paragraph of the Company's General Letter dated 23d. Janry last be sent to the Gentlemen at Bombay and that they be acquainted that the quantity of Cloth in Our Warehouses is much larger than can be disposed of here and We shall therefore be glad if they can take a part off Our hands.

advance to the Commissary. AGREED that two thousand (2000) Pagodas be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the charges of the Troops abroad.

Sea customer pays into Cash and Pagodas from the Treasury. Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running account.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in twelve thousand (12000) Pagodas on account of Gold recd from Europe and coined.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

To the HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Time stipulated by the Order for contracting for making the Honble Company's Bricks and supplying Chunam being expired since the 1st. Instant and no Persons having offered themselves to contract for these supplies and the works being at a stand for want of Bricks We beg leave to offer it as Our opinion that the Honble Company for the present should make the Bricks at their own Expence, and as it is necessary there should be a price fix'd for the

Bricks they use, in order to bring that Expence in the Monthly accounts it is proposed they should be charg'd at the usual price and the Inhabitants supply'd with the turn'd out Bricks at the price they are sold to them at present and that if any profit should arise or any loss should be sustain'd by the Honble Company, that it may be carried to the Head of Fortifications and Repairs.

In order to defray the Expence of the Manufacture of Bricks it is proposed that a certain sum be advanc'd to the Committee to begin with & that what sum of money may be received by them for the turn'd out Bricks, may be paid into the Company's Cash when not wanted to carry on this Manufacture and that particular accounts of the Expence of the Kilns with those of the reception of Cash from the Honble President and Council or the Inhabitants be delivered in Consultation Quarterly or Annually as you may think proper.

As to the Chunam there has been no proposals as yet for contracting, but as soon as there are, as several Polygars have been sent to We shall contract and order the Payments for it on the deliveries.

We are with respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. Hum. Servts.

HENRY POWNEY.
JOHN SMITH.
J. BROHIER.

FORT St. GEORGE,
14TH. JULY 1754.

ACCOUNT of Goods damaged and deficient ℔ Ships St. George, True Briton, Triton, Essex, Ilchester and Onslow Vizt.

Pr. SAINT GEORGE.

	£.	sh.	d.		Pagodas.	fas.	ca.
Madeira Wine leaked out on board 1½ pipe ..	7	7	—				
advance 30 ℔ Cent	2	4	1				
£	9	11	1	@ sh. 8	23	31	70

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Pr. TRUE BRITON.

Broad Cloth Aurora damag'd. 2 p.	12	13	—			
Do. Ordy red Do. 4 do.	19	11	—			
Do. Ordy Green Do. 1 d.	4	18	9			
	37	2	9			
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Cent	—	3	9			
	37	6	6			
Advance 30 ℔ Cent	11	3	11			
£	48	10	5	@ sh. 8	P. 121	10	70

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Pr. Triton

	O	qr.	lb.				£.	sh.	d.			Pags.	fas.	ca.
Lead deficient in Weight	1	3	26	@	18	8 ℔ O.	1	17	—					
Charges ½ ℔ Cent		..		..		..	—	—	2					
							1	17	2					
Advance 30 ℔ Cent		..		..		..	—	11	2					
						£	2	8	4	@ sh. 8	P.	6	1	40

5th. July 1754.

Pr. Essex.

	O	qr.	lb.		sh.	d.								
Lead 3 pieces wanting pz.	7	2	27	@	18	8 ℔ O	7	4	6					
Copper 6 plates dº. pz.	3	1	19	@	119	18. ℔ ton.	20	10	—					
							27	14	6					
Europe charges ½ ℔ Cent						..	—	2	9					
							27	17	3					
Advance 30 ℔ Cent						..	8	7	2					
						£	36	4	5	@ 8 sh.	P.	90	19	70

7th. July 1754.

℔ Ilchester.

	O	qr.	lb.		sh.	d.								
Lead deficient in weight	4	1	5	@	18	8 ℔ O.	4	—	2					
Europe charges ½ ℔ Cent						..	—	—	5					
							4	—	7					
Advance 30 ℔ Cent						..	1	4	2					
						£	5	4	9	@ sh. 8	P.	13	3	30

7 July 1754.

Pr. Onslow.

	O.	qr.	lb.			£.	s.	d.					
Copper 16 plates wanting £. 119 18 ℔ Ton ..	9	1	27	@		56	18	2					
Lead 2 slabs dº. sh. 18 8 ℔ O ..	7	1	5	@	..	6	16	2					
						63	14	4					
Charges ½ ℔ Cent					..	—	6	4					
						64	—	8					
Advance 30 ℔ Cent					..	19	4	2					
					£	83	4	10	@ 8 sh.	P.	208	3	60

10th. July 1754.

Henry Powney,
Impº. Warehº.kr.

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ACCOUNT DEFICIENCY of Stores and the short Delivery ℔ following Ships Viz^{t}.

ILCHESTER.

		lb.	£	s.	d.
Four penny nails	.. ..	10	0	3	9
Six Ditto	.. ..	3	0	1	½
Ten D°.	.. ..	2	0	0	7½
Twenty D°.	.. ..	104	1	10	8
Twenty four D°.	.. ..	87	1	4	0
Thirty D°.	.. ..	80	1	2	1
Forty D°.	.. ..	46	0	14	4
Spike nails D°.	.. ..	43	0	11	0
			5	7	6
	Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		1	12	3
			£ 6	19	9 @ 8 sh. P. 17 16 70

ESSEX.

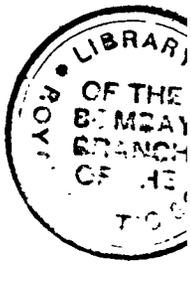
		lb.			
Ten penny Nails	.. ..	102	1	12	1
Twenty D°.	.. ..	51	0	15	0
Twenty four D°.	.. ..	58	0	16	0
Thirty D°.	.. ..	55	0	15	2
Forty D°.	.. ..	99	1	7	9
Coopers Cressetts	.. ..	4	1	13	0
Ship Serapers ..	.. ..	100	8	5	0
Fish Giggs ..	.. ..	20	2	4	0
Cask 1 ..	.. ..	..	0	9	10
			17	17	10
	Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		5	7	4
			£ 23	5	2 @ 8 sh. P. 58 5 20

TRUE BRITON.

	O. qr. lb.			
Ten penny Nails	12	0	3	7
Twenty four D°.	34	0	9	4
Spike D°.	49	0	12	6
Iron Barrs 16	21 1 14	17	0	11
		18	6	4
Advane 30 ℔ Cent ..		5	9	10¾
		£ 23	16	2¾ @ 8 sh. P. 59 19 2

ONSLOW.

	O. qr. lb.			
Twenty penny Nails	0 0 93	1	7	5
Twenty four D°.	0 0 68	0	18	9
Thirty D°.	0 0 189	2	11	5
Spike D°.	0 0 39	0	10	¼
Sheathing D°.	0 1 82	1	2	7
Copper plates 6	0 0 12	0	17	0
Bolt Iron	0 2 4	0	14	2¾
Hoop Iron	0 0 13	0	2	7
Euffirs 6p^{s}.	0 16 2	0	16	2
Sea Coals 4 chalds. & 31 Bushells ..		9	3	5
Deals 30 p		3	0	6
		21	4	1
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		6	7	3
		£ 27	11	4 @ 8. sh. P. 68 33 0



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TRITON.

	O. qr. lb.	£ s. d.
Iron Barrs 2	3 3 16	3 2 1
Ten penny nails	4	0 1 4
Twenty four D°.	30	0 8 3
Forty D°.	212	2 18 4
Spike D°.	132	1 18 8
Dog D°.	80	1 3 4
Sea Coals 2 chald & 15 Bushell	...	3 15 8
		13 7 8
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		4 0 3½
		£ 17 7 11½ @ 8 sh. P. 43 17 65

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ ALEXAND^{R}. WYNCH
Storekr.

ACCOUNT Deficiency's and short Deliveries in the Military Stores received from England by the following Ships viz^{t}.

SHIP TRITON.

	rs. qr. lb.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Pag^{s}. fa^{s}. ca.
To round shott 24 Pound.	3 2 16	0 7 9		
To Flints 2350		1 1 11		
		1 9 8		
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		0 8 11		
			1 18 7 @ 8 sh.	4 29 50

ESSEX.

To Flints 937	— 9 4		
Advance 30 ℔ cent ..	— 2 9		
		— 12 1 @ 8 sh.	1 18 30

TRUE BRITON.

To Flints 305	— 3 —		
To Round shot 12 pound lb. 2 pz. 24	— 2 7		
	— 5 7		
Advance 30 ℔ cent ..	— 1 8		
		— 7 3 @ 8 sh.	— 32 50

ILCHESTER.

To Flints 730	— 7 3		
Advance 30 ℔ cent ..	— 2 2		
		— 9 5 @ 8 sh.	1 6 30

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ONSLOW.	£	s.	d.		Pag^{s}.	fa^{s}.	ca.
To Flints 512	—	5	—				
Advance 30 ℔ cent ..	—	1	6				
				— 6 · 6 @ 8 sh.	—	29	20

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ CHA^{s}. BOURCHIER,
Military Storek^{r}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In landing the Lead and Bales of Broad Cloth from the Ilchester one Boat with twenty slabs of Lead was overset in the surf, 14 slabs with great difficulty were saved, two Boats with 17 Bales of Broad Cloth was likewise overset the Bales were all saved and being immediately opened and dry'd only 121 p^{s}. which is about 13 Bales are slightly damag'd Viz^{t}.

Broad Cloth Fine Scarlet			2 p^{s}.
D^{o}. Aurora			47
D^{o}. Ordry red	6		
D^{o}. d^{o}. Green	6		
	—		12
Perpetuanoes fine scarlet			20
D^{o}. Ordy red	20		
D^{o}. d^{o}. Green Broad	20		
	—		40
PIECES ..			121

As there is not a possibility of recovering the 6 slabs of Lead, Your Honour &c^{a}. will be pleas'd to give Orders that it may be wrote off, and such directions regarding the damag'd Cloth as you may think proper.

I am with due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Hum. Servant

HENRY POWNEY,
Import Wareh^{o}.k^{r}.

15TH. JULY 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In unloading the Ship True Briton one of the Mussoolahs unfortunately split in the surf in which were three casks of Nails, which though the greatest care was taken to recover them, it was impossible the surf being exceeding high,

as these were safely delivered from the Ship, I have endors'd them off the Bill of Lading and desire your honour &c^{a}. permission to write them off to Profit and Loss.

I am with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
15TH. JULY 1754.

ACCOUNT SALE OF OLD STORES belonging to the HONBLE COMPANY AT OUTORY JULY 12th. 1754.

5 Tin Lanthorns	.. ..	Comrapah	.. ..	—	26
5 Ditto	.. ..	Mariapah	.. ..	—	25
3 Ditto	.. ..	Venganah	.. ..	—	21
3 four Hour Glasses	.. ..	Vencataisha	.. ..	—	13
1 One D^{o}. D^{o}.	.. ..	Vencatty	.. ..	—	12
8 Half minute ..	.. ..				
8 Quarter D^{o}.	.. ..				
40 Compass Cards	.. ..	Venga Chitty	.. ..	—	13
18 Compass Glasses	.. ..				
1 Iron Beam ..	.. ..	Mootiah	.. ..	1	27
1 Convex Light	.. ..	Maureapah	.. ..	2	—
5 Bengall Timbers	.. ..	Periatomby	.. ..	1	18
		PAGODAS	..	8	11

ERRORS EXCEPTED
ALEXANDER WYNCH,
Storek^{r}.

JULY THE 12, 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

The Humble Petition of John M^{c}.farquhar Surgeon of the Ship YORK.

SHEWETH

That the Military Recruits from Europe by the Ship York having been landed here to the number of 60, Your Petitioner prays your Honour &c^{a}. will be pleased to order the payment of the usual Gratuity for your Petitioners care of them, in the Voyage.

AND Your Petitioner shall ever Pray &c^{a}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

The Humble Petition of Geoffry Jones Surgeon of the Denham.

SHEWETH

That 63 of the Honble Company's Military Recruits brought from Europe in the said ship having been landed here, Your Petitioner prays your Honour &c^{a}. will be pleased to order the usual Gratuity of 10 Shill^{gs}. ℔ man to be paid him for his care of them in the Voyage.

AND Your Petitioner shall ever Pray &c^{a}.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1754* ——

JULY THE 20TH.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to DeveCotah dated this day. 19th

Recd by Do. Do. from Do. dated 15th. Instt. 20

Sailed the Honble Company's Ship Protector, Commadore Wm. James for Bombay with a General Letter to the President and Council there dated Yesterday. —

Sailed Ketch St. John Baptista, John Murphy for Fort St. David. —

Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 17th. Instant. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT. SATURDAY THE 20TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THE BOOK of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultat. dated 15th. Instant read and sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

No. 134 from Mr. Charles Hopkins at DeveCotah dated the 15th. Instant, acquainting us that he has begun to settle those Books, but is at some Difficulty in regard to an article of Firelocks for which Expedition to Tritchinopoly stands Dr. to Account Current Fort St. David tho' no such Entry is in the St. David Books, desiring our directions thereon, he also represents that there are about 700 Valees of Ground within the Limits of that place, which the Inhabitants claim without producing any Title to the same which being a Hindrance to persons from coming to inhabit the Bounds he proposed to those people to put up said Ground to sale which they consented to and he reckons the produce of it to the Company might be about five Pagodas ℔ Vale besides the advantages of Quit Rent &ca. desiring Our Directions, that he has got some Musters of Chially Cloth & only waits for the rest to forward them to us enclosing the Monthly papers of that settlement. General Letters read from Deve-Cotah.

No. 135 from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 17th. Instant touching their Investment the General purport of it being that their Chief dependance must be on Irshippa Chitty and Paupa Rauze, that as to Cawn Moodelaire, Govindoo Chitty and Tonneveroy they have behaved so ill in the last Tryal made of them that they are not to be trusted for their Ballances still stand encreas'd three thousand Pagodas by the last advance made them & all they promise is to bring in that amount by the end of the Month of August, that Irshippa Chitty and Paupa Rauze, will engage to bring in four hundred Bales in time for the September dispatch, provided they are not impeded from the want of Money, but that if they are allowed to advance no more than five thousand Pagodas at a time it will be impossible to procure even that quantity as to the Salem Merchants they have been called upon to bring in their Cloth and all the answer they give is that if the Roads are safe they will bring it in by September. Fort St. David.

AGREED that Mr. Hopkins be wrote to in regard to the Entry of Firelocks to Credit Account Current Fort St. George for hem, and We will adjust the account here, that in regard to the Ground it had better be deferr'd till the expiration of the Cowle which will be next June. Deve Cotah to be wrote to.

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St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David be wrote to that we shall continue to supply them plentifully with cash and as they represent Irshippa Chitty & Paupa Rauze as the only persons on whom they can depend, We consent to their making as large advances as they may think prudent and as to the other Merchants as they have not behaved in a manner suitable to Our Expectations We would not have any further advances made them till they have brought in to the full amount of their last advance and considerably lessen'd their Old Ballances.

Redwood to be laden on the York and Denham for Bengal & the first ready to be dispatch'd thither and Vizagapatam with Treasure & those settlements to be wrote to.

AGREED that as much Redwood for Bengal be laden on board the York and Denham as they can take in and that the first that can be got ready be dispatch'd to the Bay and touch at Vizagapatam, that seventy or eighty Chests of Rupees be consign'd on such ship to the Bay and half a Lack of Rupees & forty five thousand Madrass Pagodas to Vizagapatam for the use of y^{e}. three Northern Settlements, that the Gentlemen at Bengall be advised of the prohibition of all piece Goods at the West Coast in consequence of what the Supravizors write us, that We intend to prohibit the Importation of Ophium there except on the Company's Account and that as the Supravizor's write us fifty chests may be disposed of to advantage, We desire they will provide and consign us that quantity of Patna Ophium on the Company's account.

The Mayors Court to be acquainted of Capt. Crompton's dying Intestate & his Effects being sealed up at Vizagapatam.

The Effects of Captain John Crompton who died at Vizagapatam in March last having been sealed up for the benefit of the Creditors, untill some person might be duly authoris'd to take charge of the same, and no person having yet appear'd ORDERED that Notice thereof be given to the Mayors Court that they may act therein as they shall think proper.

34 firelocks seiz'd to be confiscated to the Company and the Seapoys who stopp'd them to be gratify'd.

Thirty four firelocks which as it is suppos'd were landed Clandestinly from some of the Europe ships having been seiz'd by a party of seapoys ORDERED that they be confiscated to the use of the Company and that a Gratuity (which is left to the President) be made the seapoys as an Encouragement & Reward for the faithfull discharge of their Duty.

Para. in the Letter from England relatg. to Mess^{s}. Smith & Cook.

Our Honble Masters having in the 56th. Paragraph of their Letter of the 23^{d}. Janry taken notice that two of the Council had attempted to commit a fraud by an over charge in their accounts. The President acquaints the Board that upon the curtailing of John Moor's allowances, which were judg'd extravagant in conversing with a Gentleman he was told that John Moore should say it was done out of prejudice for that Mess^{rs}. Cook and Smith desired him to over rate his Bills, the President related this to Major Lawrence and desired him to ask John Moore, the Major did, and Moore reply'd in the affirmative he (the President) then desired Major Lawrence not to mention it 'till he had examin'd the accounts, the particulars were taken from the Books and sent to John Moore, who acknowledg'd they agreed exactly with his notes and therefore the President took no further notice of it seeing no just cause of Complaint.

Mr. Smith desires to write Major Lawrence on the subject.

Mr. Smith being called upon to justify himself desires time to write Major Lawrence on the subject which the Board consent to.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

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Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day. 20

Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 3^{d}. Inst. 23

Captain Ward of the York having been served with an Order to take in Redwood for Bengal, address'd the following Letter to the President and Council Viz^{t}. —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Yesterday I received your Order sign'd by the Secretary to receive on board my ship all such Redwood as shall be tendered me on account of the Honble Company.

In answer to which I beg leave to represent to you that in my opinion the ship is already as deep as can be consistent with her safety in going over the flatts in Bengal River, that I have put out nothing here of the Honble Companys worth speaking of, that I have already a great deal more than my Tonnage on board notwithstanding, I put out twenty Tons of the Company's Goods at Gravesend being then so very deep it was not judg'd proper to proceed to sea nor at present do I think it for the safety of the Honble Compys Cargo now on board or the Interest of my Owners to take in any thing more.

All which is submitted to your consideration by

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Hble. Servt.

Edward Ward.

Fort St. George
23D. July 1754.

Upon the foregoing Representation the Presid^{t}. and Council resolved not to lade any Redwood on board the York, but to dispatch her to Vizagapatam and the Bay as soon as the Treasure, Ordered in last Consultation can be got ready.

Arrived Ship Club, John Durand, from Bengal and Nagore. 24th.

D^{o}. Sloop Squirrel, John Jenigree D^{o}. D^{o}. 25

Recd. by Pattamar General Letter from Bombay dated the 6th. June. —

Arrived Snow Three Brothers, John Jacob Crouter. from Sadrass. 27th.

D^{o}. ship Mary, Alex^{r}. Reed from Bengal and Nagore. —

Sailed Snow Fanny, Thomas Warner for Vizagapatam. —

D^{o}. the Honble Company's Ship York, Edward Ward for Vizagapatam and Bengall with General Lres for those two Settlements, Ingeram & Madapollam all dated the 27th. Instant. 28 h.

Received by Peons General Letters from Ingeram dated the 7th. & 13th. Instant and from Maddapollam dated the 17th. Instant. —

D^{o}. by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 26th. Instant. 29

Sailed Ship La Madelaine, de Boulet, for Pegue. —

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AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.

MONDAY THE 29TH. CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on The Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 20th. Instant read and sign'd.

Hospital Reported. Mr. Charles Boddam reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no cause of complaint.

General Letters read Vizt.

General Letters read from Vizagapatam. No. 136 from the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam dated the 3d. Instant acknowledging the receipt of our several Letters of the 12th. 13th. & 14th. June, enclosing an account of the deficiency on Rice sent them by the three first vessells (the last being not yet weigh'd) which turns out very considerable notwithstanding all possible care was taken to prevent Pilferage in landing, that Captain Gardner was not yet arrived there, and they conclude the vessell has missed the Port and gone to Bengall, but that Lieut. Nelson was landed there from the Montfort. That Narrain Dieu had quitted Chicacull and taken all the Cannon and other things of value from thence to Kimmeday, that Viziaramrauze with a Party of French are on their March towards Chicacull, having left an Officer and some Men at Cassimcotah, and it is said the Rajah is heatily [*sic*] tired of the French.

from Bombay No. 137 from the President and Council of Bby dated the 6th. Ulto. serving only to enclose Duplicate of their last.

from Ingeram. No. 138 & 139 from Foss Westcott Esqr. Resident at Ingeram, the first dated the 7th. Instant, acquainting us that having in the Month of May last purchased 349 Teak Timbers in the Country and brought them to Rajahmundrum in the way to Ingeram, the officer who commands for the French at Rajahmundrum had seiz'd and made use of them for Pallisadoes that several Letters had pass'd between him, the said Officer and Mr. Maracin copys of which he encloses, the result of which was that Mr. Moracin says he has nothing to do in the affair for that stoppages was made by M. De Bussys Orders to whom Salabat Jing has given that Country. The second is dated the 13th. Instant and advises that he had that morning recd a Letter from Juggapettarauze who has the country about Ingeram, requiring him to deliver up immediately all the Towns for which Viziaramrauze had given the Company Cowles to Monsr. Bury Resident at Yanam who had an Order for the same from Monsr. Bussy Nabob of the Province, that he had return'd for answer that it was not the Custom of the English to part with favrs. which had been granted them, and that he could not comply with the demand he adds that he was resolved to defend to the utmost of his power the Companys Rights, untill he recd Our further Orders, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 30th. touching the Investment which he promises to exert himself in, and to be very observant of Our Honble Masters Commands tho' the present posture of affairs promise but little success, requesting to be supply'd with Gunpowder.

from Bandarmalanka. No. 140 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandamlka dated the 17th. Instant acknowledging the receit of Our Lres of the 17th. & 19th. Ulto. with the Milty Stores and acquaints. us that the Morattas having quitted that Country without committing any disorders at Mandapetta and the Towns round it where the greatest part of the cloth was made, the Investment is only at a stand now for want of money.

—— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1754 ——

Fort St. David.

N°. 141 from the Deputy Gov^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 26^th. Instant, enclosing M^r. Calls Report of the state of DeveCotah Garrison with respect to Buildings and Repairs, desiring a supply of fanams and copper cash.

Vizagapatam deficiency of rice to be wrote off.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam be directed to write off the deficiency of Rice to Profit & Loss, as the several Noquedahs of the Vessells declared they would not cary it if they were to be made answerable for the deficiencys, which it could not be in their power to prevent.

Mr. Dupliex to be wrote to concerning Mr. Westcott's Timber seiz'd at Rajahmundrum.

The Town demanded by Juggapattaruze not to be delivered up.

The seizure and detention of M^r. Westcotts Timber at Rajahmundrum by the French being an open violation of the Peace subsisting between the two Nations. AGREED that M^r. Dupleix be wrote to on the subject and that they be demanded of him and in regard to the Towns which Jaggapettarauze has required M^r. Westcott to surrender to the French AGREED that he be directed not to deliver but defend them to the last extremity as at the time Viziaramrauze granted cowles for them he had a proper authority to do so and M^r. De Bussy is not Nabob of that province as it is asserted, but only the Renter of it.

The powder Magazine at DeveCotah to be repaired but nothing else.

The Expence of the Repairs at DeveCotah represented by M^r. Call's Report of the Buildings &c^a. to be necessary, amounting to a very large sum and Our Honble Masters having in their Letter recd. this season directed that nothing more than what is absolutely necessary be laid out there AGREED that M^r. Hopkins be directed to repair the powder Magazine only so as to make it fit for the purpose, but to make no other Repairs except such trifling ones as may be immediately necessary.

Fort St. David Indent to be comply'd with.

ORDERED that the Indent for stores &c^a. from S^t. David be complied with as far as possible.

Fort St. David damag'd Cloth to be survey'd and reported.

Letter from M^r. Charles Boddam, Export Warehousek^r. read as entered hereafter representing that there are about 30 Bales of the S^t. David Brown Cloth so much damag'd and torn that it will not admit of washg. for good Cloth and can only serve for Wrappers.

ORDERED that the said Cloth be examin'd by Mess^rs. Powney and Wynch together with the Export Warehousekeeper and report.

Export Warehokr. delivers in accot. deficiencys ℔ ship York.

The Export Warehousekeepr lays before the Board an account of deficiencys ℔ Ship York which has been made good by the Commander ORDERED that it be entered hereafter.

An Error in the Essex's Europe Invoice.

The Import Wareh°.k^r. acquaints the Board of an Error in the Essex's Invoice from Europe Viz^t.

	s.	d.		
1 Bale of Long rlls contg. 20 p^s. french yellows @	41.	6.	£ 82	10
which should be only			41	10
Difference ...			£ 41	—

Accot. Curr^t. London to be credited for the same.

ORDERED that account current London be credited for the whole amount of the Invoice and Debted for the Error.

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Henry Trenwith Admor to his Brother John Trenwith requests to be paid what his Brother's Estate stands Cr. in the Compys Books.

Letter from Mr. Henry Trenwith desiring to be paid the amount of what was paid into the Honble Company's Cash on account of the Estate of his late Brother John Trenwith for which the said Estate has Credit in the Company's Books, he being Administrator to his said Brother, and the Letters of Administration being accordingly produced.

Granted.

ORDERED that the same be paid him, the said account not being yet wrote off to account current London.

Accountant to make a List of account to be wrote off.

ORDERED that the Accountant do draw out and lay before the Board a List of what accounts in the General Books are proper to be wrote off to account Current London or to Profit and Loss.

Exors of Peter Baslieu desire payment of what due to him.

Translation of a Letter from the Marquiss Dupleix &ca. Executors of Peter Baslieu decd. read as entered hereafter desiring the payment of the sum due to the Estate of the said decd by the Company, & desiring to be acquainted whether the Company have given any directions in relation to the deceds. House at Madrass.

Answer to be returned.

AGREED that the said Executors be acquainted We have not recd. any Orders relating to the House & that We shall give them notice when it will be suitable for us to discharge the said Debt.

Salt petre to be purchas'd of Captn. Durand conditionally.

Captain Durand lately arrived in the club having on board about two thousand five hundred Bags of Salt Petre which he offers to sale ORDERED that it be view'd by the Export Warehousekr. and Mr. Bishop Superintendant of the Powder works and if it proves as good as the Companys and Captn. Durand will part with it at the Bengal Price that it be purchas'd on the Compys account.

Bengal to be wrote to for Gunpowder

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Bengal be wrote to for as much Gunpowder of the first sort as they can spare.

A Bill for mending the Fort Clock to be paid & John de Ross to be allowed 2 Pags. a Month to take care of it.

A Bill of John de Roos for sixty Pagodas for mending and taking care of the Clock for two years past being laid before the Board ORDERED that it be paid & that in future the said John de Roos be allowed two Pagods. a Month for his care of the Clock.

70 Pags. to be advanc'd the Boat People to repair their Boats.

Several of the Mussoolah Boats belonging to this settlement having been broke to pieces in the hurry of unloading the China ships, and others being very much damag'd ORDERED that the Head Boat People be advanc'd seventy Pagodas to repair & rebuild their Boats.

Export Ware housekr. reports a quantity of brown cloth turns out short of Measure.

The Compys Merchant to attend the Board.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that at sorting of brown cloth this morning belonging to several of the Merchants none of it exceeded sixty nine Covids in length ORDERED that all the Company Merchants do attend the Board at the next Consultation and be then acquainted with the Companys positiv[e] Orders in regard to the length and breadth of Cloths.

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The following Drafts from the Accountant General by Order of the Mayors Court the 26th. Instant being presented to the Board Vizt. — Two Drafts from the Accot. Genl. to be paid.

One for twelve hundred and six Pagodas, thirty three fanams and thirty Cash (1206. 33. 30) payable to John Smith and Henry Powney Esqr. account the Estate of Edward Jacob's deceas'd And — Accot. the Estate of Edwd. Jacobs.

One for one hundred and fourteen Pagodas twenty eight fanams and fifty seven Cash (114. 28. 57) payable to Alexandr. Wynch Esqr. account the Estate of Edward Jacobs decd. — Do.

ORDERED that the said Drafts be paid.

AGREED that fifteen thousand Pagodas be remitted to St. David by Bill to answer sundry Drafts on them from Camp. — 15,000 Pags. to be sent to St. David by Bill.

The Owners of the ship lately called the Fort St. David, having two nine Pounder Guns, five Barrells of Europe Gunpowder and ten of Bombay of the stores of that ship, which they offer to sale for Prime cost AGREED that they be purchas'd for the Company. — Military stores to be purchas'd.

The Claim and Petition of the Executors of Coja Petrus Uscan deceas'd relating to the church at Vipary as entered after the Consultation of the 13th. Novr. 1752, having been submitted to the consideration of Our Honble Masters who have this season referr'd the same back to us for further Information and directed us to enquire into the allegations in the said Petition, the truth of which is most likely to be discover'd by an Examination of the Will of Coja Petrus, but that being of an immoderate length & wrote the Armenian Language AGREED that Coja Shawmeer Sultan and Coja Thadoeus Agapery two of the most reputable Armenians be desired to inspect the same, and extract from it (if the Executors will permit) whatever relates to the Church at Viparee. — The Will of Coja Petrus to be examin'd in relation to Viparee Church.

Coja Shawmeer Sultan having been called upon to state to the Board the case referr'd to us for enquiry by our Honble Masters in the 82 Paragraph of their Letter the 23d. Janry, the following Papers are now produced Vizt. — State of Coja Shawmeer's case referr'd from England.

AN account stated and sign'd by William Wake &ca. Council of Bombay between them on behalf of the Company and Coja Shawmeir Sultan for his Father Coja Sultan David dated the 15th. July 1748, the

Rs. as. ps.

amount thereof being 28580. 1. 36 for Goods of the Company's, sold the said Sultan Davids Wife at Spaham and Interest thereon of which sum 20,000 Rupees were attach'd in the hands of the Govr. and Council of Bombay and for the remainder being 8580. 1. 36 the said Coja Shawmeir is credited by his and Captain James Barton's Bond payable to the President and Council of Fort St. David.

A Release from William Wake President &ca. Council of Bombay of all claims and demands on account of the abovemention'd Debt upon payment of the said Bond.

The abovemention'd Original Bond for Bby. Rups. 8580. 1. 36. with an Endorsement thereon, whereby it appears to have been discharg'd at Fort St. David the 4th. day of October 1748, sign'd by Charles Floyer &ca. Council.

A Bond dated the 7th. August 1745 for A. Rs. 20000 carrying Interest at the rate of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Ann, sign'd by Nicholas Morse &ca. Council of Fort St. George by an Endorsement thereon dated 4 October 1748 it appears that Bby. Rups. 8580. 1. 36 were that day paid in part of the said Bond.

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Copy of Coja Shawmeers papers to be sent to England.

UPON the whole it appears very clearly to the Board that after deducting the said Bby. Rupˢ. 8580. 1. 36 from the Principal Sum of A. Rˢ. 20,000, the Residue thereof with Interest is actually due to the said Coja Shawmeer Sultan ORDERED that Copies of the aforemention'd Papers be transmitted to Our Honble Masters with what further Information may be received relating to this Affair from Bombay, the Gentlemen there having been wrote to on the Occasion.

The Sea Custr. to see that all Articles consign'd to the Compy's servants from England be landed.

ORDERED that it be a Branch of the Sea Customers Duty to see that all Articles consign'd to this Presidency on the Europe Ships for persons in the Company's service be duly landed.

Monthly Accounts read.

Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballance then remaining in the Mint Madrass Rupees six hundred and two thousand nine hundred and forty six (602946) two hundred and sixty four thousand eight hundred and twenty Arcot Rupees, and fourteen Annaes (264820. 14) thirty two thousand six hundred and eighty four Madrass Pagodˢ. (32684) and Current Pagodas thirty two thousand five hundred and thirty one, nineteen fanams and thirty five Cash (32531. 19. 35) which is carried forward.

Export Warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him five hundred and fifty two Pagodas, two fanams and seventy three Cash (552. 2. 73) which is carried forward.

Paymaster.

Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that Account for last Month.

CHARGES GARRISON	P.	223	12 41
CHARGES HOSPITAL		209	4 8
PEONS AND SERVANTS WAGES		379	1 —
CHARGES GENERAL		63	10 57
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY		305	25 3
REPAIRS		617	22 7
FORTIFICATIONS		1435	31 12
POONEMALEE &CA. VILLAGES		20	24 63
ST. THOME &CA. VILLAGES		21	26 50
ALLOWANCES OF THE COURT OF REQUESTS ...		12	12 —
CHARGES CATTLE		66	24 —
CHARGES DIET		583	12 —
		3938	26 1

Ballce. due from him fifteen hundred and forty nine Pagodas, thirty three fanams (1549. 33) which is carried forward.

The particulars of the Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are entered hereafter.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him fourteen thousand one hundred and eighty five Pagodas, twenty five fanams and sixty Cash (14185. 25.60) which is carried forward.

Import Warehousekr.

Henry Powney Impo. Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him fourteen thousand seven hundred and seventy one Pagodas, fifteen fanams and sixty two Cash (14771. 15. 62) which is carried forward.

Storekeeper.

Alexander Wynch Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him one thousand four hundred and five Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and seventeen cash (1405. 27. 17) which is carried forward.

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John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred and twenty one pagodas, twenty one fanams & sixty nine Cash (521. 21. 69) which he now pays in. Land Customer.

John Smith Military Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him seven hundred and thirty one Pagodas, twenty fanams & forty eight Cash (731. 20. 48) which is carried forward. Military Paymastr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him seven hundred and seventy seven Pagodas, thirty fanams and four Cash (777. 30. 4) which is carried forward. Military Storekeeper.

The Accountant lays before the Board the Journall Parcells for the Month of May. Journal Parcells.

The Engineers Account of Expences of Fortifications and Repairs &c^{a}. for last Month is also laid before the Board. Engineers account.

Henry Powney Import Warehousek^{r}. pays in thirty five thousand (35000) Pagodas on Account of Gold recd. from Europe and coined. Money paid in Vizt. Gold from the Treasury.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Customer.

The following Rents of confiscated Houses are now paid in for six Months Rent, respectively due the 30th. June Viz^{t}. Rents of confiscated houses.

By M^{r}. Andrew Munro sixty (60) Pagodas for a House in Choultry gate Street.

By Padre Aveat Thuros sixty (60) Pagodas for a House in Choultry gate Street.

By Captain Cha^{s}. Campbell sixty (60) Pagodas for a House in Charles Street.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permall Kellawa Chitty pay in the following Rents Viz^{t}.

Six hundred and sixty six Pagodas, twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Month's Rent of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm due the 1st. Ult^{o}. Beetle and Tobacco farm.

Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas, twelve fanams (333. 12) for one Month's Rent of the Arrack and Wine Licence due the 1st. Ult^{o}. Arrack and wine licence.

Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas, twelve fanams (333. 12) for four Month's Rent of the Measuring Duty due the 1st. Instant. Measuring Duty.

Linga Chitteo and Gruapah Farmers of the Company's Old Garden pay in one hundred and twenty five (125) Pagodas for six Months Rent of that farm due the 1st. June last. Compys old Garden.

Subramoney Moodelaire and Linga Chitty Farmers of S^{t}. Thomé pay in two thousand (2000) Pagodas for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. Instant. Money paid in Viz. Rent of St. Thome for 6 Months.

Mootiah Farmer of the Banksall pays in two hundred (200) Pagodas for six Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. June last. Banksall Duty.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}. Advances out of Cash to the

To the Paymaster three thousand (3000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Paymaster.

To the Military Paymaster five thousand three hundred and fifty one Pagodas twelve fanams and fifty two Cash (5351. 12. 52) to pay the Military. Milit^{y} Paym^{r}.

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Ex port Warehousekr.

To the Export Warehousekr. four thousand (4000) Pags. to pay for Rice and Paddy.

Commissary.

To the Commissary six thousand (6000) Pagodas to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Military Storekr. &

To the Committee for conducting the Works one thousand (1000) Pagodas Pagodas for the charges of that Employ. AND

To the committee for conducting the Works.

To the Committee for conducting the Works one thousand (1000) Pagodas for providing Bricks.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

On delivering the Fort St. David Brown Cloth to be washed which was ordered up from thence with their other Bales for expediting the Durrington's dispatch in case of a disappointment of White Goods, that it should be of as little detention to the Ships Stay here as possible; there are about thirty Bales taken out indifferently from the whole quantity very much damag'd and Torn not to admit of washing in quality of Good Cloth for sending to Europe, tho' may be used for Wrappers. I therefore beg to be favour'd with your Resolutions concerning it.

I am most respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very Obedient and most Humble Servant

CHARLES BODDAM.

FORT ST. GEORGE
29TH. JULY 1754.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters Accounts are in the following Particulars June 30th. 1754.

CHARGES GARRISON	P.	10	8 10
CHARGES HOSPITAL		2	11 15
PEONS AND SERVANTS WAGES		3	21 —
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY		305	25 3
REPAIRS		617	22 7
FORTIFICATIONS		1435	31 12
POONEMALEE &CA. VILLAGES		20	24 63
ST. THOME &CA. VILLAGES		21	26 50
ALLOWANCES OF THE COURT OF REQUESTS ...		12	12 —
PAGODAS ...		2430	2 —

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

CHARLES BODDAM,
Paymr.

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AN ACCOUNT OF DEFICIENCY ℔ SHIP YORK.

	O. qr. lb.				
2 Copper Boxes	3. 1. 4	...	£.	27 12	—
boring the Do.				11 —	—
Canvas & Cord				— 6	7
4 Pins for Working the Screws				6 2	11
				45 1	6
Europe charges ½ ℔ cent				— 4	6
				45 6	—
Advance 30 ℔ cent				13 11	10
			£.	58 17	10 @ 8 sh.
				P. 147 8	20

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CHARLES BODDAM,
Export W.Ho.Kr.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

My Brother John Trenwith having died sometime since in the Honble Company's Service the Produce of his Effects were paid into the Companys Cash as I am inform'd, And the Honble the Mayors Court having lately granted me Letters of Administration of the Estate of my said late Brother, I am to request Your Honour &ca. Councill will be pleased to order the payment to me of the sum my said Brother stands Cr. on the Company's Books. I am very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum. Servant
HENRY TRENWITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 29TH. JULY 1754.

PONDICHERY 17TH. JULY 1754.

MR. SAUNDERS,
GOVR. OF MADRAS.

SIR

The Obligation We are under of giving an Acct. to the Heirs of the Estate of Mr. Peter Bailleu deceas'd induces us to trouble you to recover the Sum which the said Gentlemen plac'd in the Company's Cash. We write to you the more readily on the Subject, as conformably to your last Letter, you deferr'd the payment of this Debt & the Interest to the arrival of the first Ships

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from Europe, We hope also that you will be pleas'd to communicate to us (according to your promise) the Resolution the Company may have taken with regard to the House of the said Mr. Baillieu.

We are very respectfully

SIR

Your most hble. and most Obed. Servt.

THE Marquiss DUPLEIX.

F. SEBASTIN,
Capuchin Missiony Apostolick.

L. MATHON,
Procurator of the Foreign Missions.

29TH. Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

31ST. Recd. ℔ Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 28th. Instant.

— Arrived Brigantine Meramadett Shaik Sunda Mercar from Porto Novo.

— Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter To Fort St. David dated this day.

— Do. to DeveCotah do.

AUGUST.

3d. Arrived Brigantine Antonia Borothea, John Dickson for Pulliacat.

— Recd. by Peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 18th. Ultimo.

4th. Arrived Ship Orange Zeal, Peter Walraven, from Batavia.

5 Recd. by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 2d. Inst.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

MONDAY THE 5TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated 29th. Ulto. read and signed.

Hospital reported. Mr. Henry Powney reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just cause of Complt.

General Letter read. General Letters read Vizt.

From Fort St. David. No. 142 and No. 144 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 28th. Ulto., advising that Maphoos Cawn and his party were arrived at Trivendeporum, and that Captain Forbes & Campbell having acquainted the Deputy Govr. that Mauphoos Cawn declared he could not prevail on his Troops to proceed any further without the remaining fifty thousand Rupees, they met in consultation to consider whether to advance it or not, but finding it directly contrary to Our Orders, they resolved not to advance it, especially as the party cannot move from Trevendeporum before Wednesday, by which time they may receive our Answer, and in the mean time they will be getting every thing in readiness, the other is dated the 2d. Instant, acquainting Us that finding it impossible to prevail on Mauphoos Cawn to march without advancing him some Money they agreed to pay him ten thousand Rupees and give two of his Jemidars Bills for 6000 each, payable after they had pass'd the Coleroon and to send the remainder with Captains Forbes and Campbell to

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be paid on his crossing that River, with which he seem'd well satisfy'd, but the next morning when the party was ready to move he refused to stand to his agreement or even to accept the whole 50000 without the Arrears due to his Troops were paid and Security given that they should have twenty days pay in every Month. That he still continues at Trevendeporum and that on his Arrival as it was necessary to send some body to him, they at the same time sent a present to the Amount of two hundred Pagodas.

From Bandarmalanka.

N°. 143 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 10th. July, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letters of the 30th. June in relation to the Investment to which he promises strict Attention & to do the best in his power, giving an account of the various Incidents that have happen'd since his being sent to Maddapollam, which have obstructed him in his Business notwithstanding which he thinks his Cloth has been Invoiced much at the same price as others and the Charges of his settlement less, advising that Monsr. Bussie with his whole Camp has left Golconda and is now either at Elure at Metchlepatam and is shortly expected at Rajahmundrum, and he imagines no endeavours will be wanting in the French to interrupt Our Affairs. That he will use his utmost Endeavours, but is sorry to hear We depend on the Northern Settlements for Our September dispatch, as no money is yet come to hand and the St. George is fallen in at Bimlepatam, but as soon as he receives a supply, he will lose no time, tho' he fears the space between this and September, is too short to admit of curing much cloth.

The Compys Mercht. called before the Board in regard to the Measure of Cloth.

Agreeable to order of last Consultation the Companys Merchants are now called before the Board, and acquainted that the Company having complain'd that the Cloths sent home turn out shorter than usual and insist that none be admitted but what are full Measure that is to say the Long Cloths not less than thirty six Yards long and the Salempores full sixteen yards long that the Export Warehousekeeper has represented to the Board that on sorting a Quantity of Brown Cloth lately, a great part of it turn'd out no more than 69 covids long, which cannot be admitted, to which the Merchants reply'd that they cannot tell how to account for the deficiency of Measure in Yards when the cloth is wash'd, for the length when Brown, as delivered into the Warehouse is in general pretty near the same as formerly, that is to say from 70 to 71 Covids long and perhaps some 69 and 69½, but the Export Warehousekr. acquainting the Board, that this could never have been the case formerly as is alledg'd, for that all Cloths under 71 or 70½ Covids brown will not give 36 Yards white, allowing for shrinking in the Wash, but the Merchants still persisting that the Cloths are of the same lengths as they used to be, in order therefore to come at the real truth, the Export Warehousekr. is ordered to take a few pieces of Brown Cloth promiscuously from the quantity now in the Godown, to measure them very exactly, mark and get them wash'd in the usual manner and report to the Board, the exact Measure of them when Brown and after they are wash'd.

Order thereon.

Letter from Mr. Bishop in relation to the powder Mill. & Requesting a Pallankeen.

Letter from Mr. William Bishop Superintendant of the powder Works, read as entered hereafter, representing that several Additions are necessary to be made to the Gunpowder Mill and Appartments at Egmore, and requesting that he may be allowed pallankeen.

The Pallankeen not Granted the rest Referr'd to Mr. Brohier to examine and Report.

ORDERED that it be referr'd to Mr. Brohier to examine into the additions mentioned by Mr. Bishop and report to the Board the Cost of making them, and in regard to the Pallankeen, requested by Mr. Bishop, the Board do not think proper to grant it as the Company have allowed him one hundred pounds a Year to execute the Business of Superintendant of the Powder Works over and above his pay as a Lieutenant.

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Exors of Mr. Stratton decd to give security for paymt. of a Debt to the Compy.

As there is reason to believe Mr. Strattons Debt to the Company has not been settled in England nothing being mention'd in the General Advices from thence, it should be paid here, but as his Executors last Year requested time to write to their Friends in England and Our Honble Masters were acquainted that we had granted it, AGREED that we wait for their Orders, and in the mean time that security be demanded of the Executors.

Publick notice to be given for all persons to make their demands on sundry Estates to be wrote off to acct. Current London.

Agreeable to Order of last Consultation the Accountant lays before the Board, a List of Estates of deceas'd persons, which have credit in the General Books, and are proper to be wrote off to account Currt. London Vizt. JOHN BARKER, JOHN CHURCHEY, WILLIAM FARRER, SAMUEL TATEM, JOSEPH EDWARD COOPER, WILLIAM LEFEVRE, PETER LOVE, JOHN BYERS. ORDERED that Publick Notice be given by Advertisement at the Sea Gate that all persons who have any Claims of the said Estates are to make their legal Demand on or before the last day of September next, at which time the said Account will be wrote off to Account Current London.

Copper to be sold the 13th. Septemr.

AGREED that the Honble Compys Copper be put up at Outcry at the Sea Gate on Tuesday the 3d. of September next and that the usual Notice be given.

Furniture for the Export Warehouse.

ORDERED that the following necessarys be made for the use of the Export Warehouse Vizt. a Chest for the Musters of Cloth &ca. a Chest for Cadjan Accounts—a Desk & Book press with Pidgeon holes and six chairs.

15 villages belonging to the Kille of Poonemalee let to Rayal Pundat at the rate of Pags. 4200 for a year.

The President acquaints the Board that the highest Offer made for the fifteen villages belonging to the Killee of Poonemalee lately granted by the Nabob, is four thousand two hundred Pagodas ℔ Annum by Ninapah, and that Rayal Pundat the present Renter of Poonemalee had thereupon bid the same Sum, AGREED that he have the preference and that a Cowle be drawn out accordingly to commence the 1st. Instant and expire the 30th. day of June next at which time the Poonemalee Cowle also expires.

Letter from the Mayors Court signifying a vacancy.

A Letter from Mr. Danl. Morse Register of the Mayors Court, read as entered hereafter, signifying that Mr. Samuel Greenhaugh an Alderman of that Court having been absent twelve Months, his seat is thereby become vacant.

Mr. Drake appointed an Alderman.

Mr. Dawson Drake being thereupon propos'd to supply his place is accordingly unanimously chosen & appointed an Alderman of the Mayors Court.

ORDERED that Notice be given him to attend the Board on Monday next to take the usual Oaths.

Cash Account read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest, twenty thousand six hundred and ninety seven, fifteen fanams and thirty three Cash (20697. 15. 33) and three thousand (3000) Madrass Pagodas.

Treasury Accounts.

The Treasury Accounts are also read, the several Ballances being compared and found right are Twenty Chests and one quarter (20¼) of Bullion, thirty thousand seven hundred and seventy three Arcot Rupees twelve annaes and nine pice (30773. 12. 9) One hundred and sixty eight thousand three hundred and twenty (168320) Madrass Rupees, and eighteen thousand Current or Star Pagodas (18000) which are carried forward.

Money pd. in for Rups. sold.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. paid in the 1st. Instant to compleat the Advances ordered at the last Consultation, two hundred and seventy Pags. nine fanams and fifty eight Cash (270. 9. 58) for Rupees sold AND he now pays in the further sum of seven thousand two hundred and two Pagodas twenty five Fanams and twenty four Cash (7202. 25. 24) for Rupees sold.

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Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Customer pays money into Cash.

AGREED that two thousand seven hundred and two Pagodas, twenty five fanams and twenty four Cash (2702. 25. 24) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Advance to the Commissary.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The present Gunpowder Mill being near finish'd it will be necessary to erect the Europe Graining Mill and Drying House, the former being a better and less expensive method, and the latter absolutely necessary in Damp or wet Weather.

We have made use of the Soldiers Cook Room to refine the sulphur in and want the Guard Room for a Composition Room and many other occasions, so that they will be destitute of both, as also a necessary house, as nobody can be admitted into the Appartments belonging to the Mill when it is at Work.

At present there is no place for my Residence there, altho' I must be on the spot, I therefore submit to your Honours to order me one as soon as it can conveniently be done, and in the mean time hope you will please to allow me a pallankeen to pass and repass, as I cant bear the fatigue of going on foot.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum. Servt.
WILLIAM BISHOP.

FORT ST. GEORGE
AUGUST 5TH. 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The seat of Mr. Saml. Greenhaugh, as Alderman of the Mayors Court, being vacated by an absence of twelve Mo's. from this place, I am directed to advise your Honour &ca. thereof, that another may be chosen in his Room. I am with due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Obedt. Humble Servant
DANL. MORSE,
Regr.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 30TH. 1754.

Fort St. George, July 1754.

Dr. The Honble United Companys Cash.

July					
1.	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account	Pags.	11813	10	72
—	To Henry Powney, Import Wareh°.kr. recd of him for Rups. sold		5945	34	5
—	To Do. recd from the Treasury in Gold		8000	—	—
—	To Do. Sea Customer recd of him on his runng. accot.		1500	—	—
5th.	To Do. Import Wareh°.kr. recd of him for Rups. sold ...		10000	—	—
8th.	To Do. Do. Do. ...		5405	14	48
—	To Rayal Pundat Renter of the Poonemalee Country recd of him in part of 6 Months rent due of that Cowle the 30. Ulto. ...		10000	—	—
—	To Linga Chittee, recd of him in full of what advanc'd him to purchase Madrass Pagodas. M.P.	15000 —			
	Batta on Do. a 10 ℔ Ct.	15000 —			
			16500	—	—
—	To Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court recd of the Regr. of the said Court Accot. the Estate of Ralph Taylor ...		248	27	24
15th.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer, recd of him on his running Account		1000	—	—
—	To Claud Russell Accountant Genl. of the Mayors Court recd of Regr. of the said Court, Account the Cause Chairman versus Terose A.Rs. 2541. Exchange at 370 ℔ %		686	27	20
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareh°.kr. recd from the Treasury in Gold.		12000	—	—
26.	To Do. Do. Do. Mss. Pags.		32000	—	—
29.	To Do. Do. Do. in Gold ..		35000	—	—
	Carried over ...		150100	6	9

℔ Contra. Cr.

July.					
1.	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ	Pags.	3500	—	—
—	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanc'd him to pay the Military		5540	19	37
—	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ...		11405	14	48
—	By the Mayors Court, advanc'd for the necessary disbursements of that Corporation		300	—	—
5.	By Tonnapah Cundapah &ca. Painters, advanc'd them for Paintings.		10000	—	—
8.	By Linga Chittee advanc'd him (as ℔ consultation 25th. Ulto.) for Madrass Pagodas		10000	—	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas, recd of Linga Chitty in full of his contract ...		15000	—	—
—	By Batta on Ditto at 10 ℔ Cent ...		1500	—	—
—	By Alexandr. Wynch Commisary advanc'd him for the Charges of the Troops abroad		8405	14	48
15	By Alexandr. Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ...		2000	—	—
25	By Fort Marlbro, paid the amount of the underwritten Certificates, granted by the Supravisors & Council for Sums pd. into the Honble Compy's Cash there as ℔ their Letter of the 12th. Febry 1754 and Order of Consultation the 15th. Instt. Vizt.				
	Carried over ...		67651	12	53

29.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer, red, of him on his running Accot.		2000	—	—
—	To John Smith Land Customer, recd of him the Ballce. of that Account for last Month ...		521	21	69
—	To Batta gain'd on the Exchange of 1000 Pagodas into fans. at 42 fas. 20 Ca. ℔ Pagoda fans. 6250 @ 36 ℔ Pagoda		173	22	—
—	To Confiscated Houses, recd six Month's Rent of the following due the 30th. June last Vizt.				
	One in Choultry Gate street, Inhabited by Mr, Andrew Munro @ 10 Pags. ℔ Month	Pags. 60	—	—	
	One in Choultry Gate street rented by Padre Aveat Thauros @ Pags. 10 ℔ Month	60	—	—	
	One in Charles Street rented by Captain Chas. Campbell @ 10 ℔ Month	60	—	—	
			180	—	—
29th.	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chitty, Beetle and Tobacco Farmers, recd of them one Months Rent on that Cowle due the 1st. June last ...		666	24	—
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence, recd of them one Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. June last		333	12	—
—	To Linga Chitty and Gruapah, Farmers of the Compys Old Garden recd of them 6 Month's Rent of that Farm due the 1st. June last.		125	—	—
	Carried over ...		154100	13	78

Certify for Dolls.	To whom payable.	Value of whom recd.	Pag.	fa.	ca.			
5500	Henry Vansittart	John Walsh ...	3333	12	—			
3250	J. Walsh & H. Vansittart.	John Pybus ...	1969	25	5			
2418	.–. 51 Henry Vansittart.	Thomas Combes.	1465	19	12			
2296.	1. 36 Charles Bourchier	Ditto ...	1391	25	76			
						8160	10	13
26.	By Madras Pagodas recd from the Treasury					32000	—	—
—	By the Committee for Conducting the Works, advanc'd for providing of Bricks as ℔ Order of Consultation 15th. Instt.					1000	—	—
29.	By Fort St. David, remitted the Deputy Govr. & Co. by a Bill of Exchange drawn by Linga Chitty on his Gomastah at 15 days sight					15000	—	—
—	By Batta, paid Linga Chittee, the premium of his Bill upon his Gomastah at Fort St. David for Pags. 15000 at ½ ℔ Cent ...					75	—	—
—	By Estate of John Trenwith decd, paid Henry Trenwith Administrator, the amot. of what was paid into Cash for the produce of the decds Effects					177	33	52
29th.	By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court paid his two undermention'd Drafts of this date by Order of the said Court Account the Estate of Edward Jacob's decd Vizt.							
	One payable to John Smith and Henry Powney Esqrs. for		1206	33	30			
	One payable to Alexandr. Wynch Esqr.		114	28	57			
						1321	26	7
	Carried over ...					125386	10	45

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

Dr.						Cr.			
		Brought forward ...		154100	13	78	Brought forward ...	125386	10	45
29th.	To	Subramoney Moodelaire and Linga Chittee Farmers of St. Thome, recd of them 6 Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. June last	Pags.	2000	—	—	29th. By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ... Pags.	6000	—	—
—	To	Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Measuring Duty, recd of them four Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant ...		333	12	—	— By Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper advanc'd him to defray the charges of the Troops abroad.	3550	—	—
—	To	Mootia Farmer of the Banksall recd of him 6 Mos. Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. June last ...		200	—	—	— By the Committee for Conducting the Works advanc'd them to provide Bricks	1000	—	—
							31. By Ballance carried to next Months Account	20697	15	33
		Star or Currt. Pags. ...		156633	25	78	Star or Currt. Pagods.	156633	25	78

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MADRASS PAGODAS.

Dr.					Cr.			
1.	To	Ballance brought from last Months Account	1000	—	—	27. By Vizagapatam Factory sent thither ℔ York	5000	—	—
8.	To	the Honble Compys Cash purchas'd	15000	—	—	— By Ingeram Factory sent thither ℔ York	20000	—	—
26.	To	the Honble Companys Cash recd from the Treasury	32000	—	—	— By Maddapollam Factory sent thither ℔ York	20000	—	—
						31. By Ballance carried to next Months Account	3000	—	—
			48000	—	—		48000	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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THOMAS SAUNDERS

Treasury Accounts.

Silver.

Dr. July.		Chests.	lb.	oz.	dwts.	July.		Chests.	lb.	oz.	dwts.	Cr.
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	¼	81	8	10	8.	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	80	23253	4	—	
7.	To Bengal presidency ℔ Denham ...	56	16277	4	—	27.	By Bengall presidency ℔ York ...	10	2906	8	—	
—	To Ditto ℔ York ...	54	15696	—	—			—				
								90	26160	—	—	
								20¼	5895	—	10	
						30.	By Ballance					
		110¼	32055	—	10			110¼	32055	—	10	

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Gold.

Dr. July.		Chests.	Oz.	pw.	gr.	July.		Chests.	Oz.	pw.	gr.	Cr.
7.	To Account Current London, recd ℔ Denham	2	6071	11	12	8.	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	2	6071	11	12	
—	To Ditto do. ℔ York...	2	6500	—	—	20.	By Ditto	2	6500	—	—	
		4	12571	11	12			4	12571	11	12	

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts—*cont.*

Bombay Rupees.

Dr.						Cr.			
July.					July.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month ...	250000	—	—	2.	By Arcot Rupees sold a. 2 ℔ Cent	255000	—	—

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Arcot Rupees.

Dr.						Cr.			
July.					July.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month ...	37073	12	9	1.	By Import Warehousekeeper delivered him for sale	32000	—	—
5.	To Bombay Rupees sold 250000 for A.Rs. @ 2 ℔ cent	255000	—	—	5.	By Ditto	38300	—	—
14.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	320000	—	—	7.	By Ditto	20000	—	—
19.	To Ditto	32000	—	—	19.	By Fort St. David sent ℔ Ketch St. John Baptista	100000	—	—
26.	To Do.	32000	—	—	27.	By Bengal presidency sent ℔ York	160000	—	—
					—	By Do. on accot. Bombay presidency ...	255000	—	—
					—	By Vizagapatam Factory sent ℔ York ...	50000	—	—
							645300	—	—
					31st.	By Ballance	30773	12	9
		676073	12	9			676073	12	9

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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TREASURY ACCOUNTS—*cont.*

CURRENT PAGODAS.

Dr.						Cr.				
July.						July.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month	16000	—	—		1st.	By the Honble Companys Cash paid in ...	8000	—	—
6.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Mastr. recd. of him	6000	—	—		15.	By Ditto	12000	—	—
8.	To Do.	5000	—	—		29.	By Ditto	35000	—	—
11.	To Do.	6000	—	—				55000	—	—
19.	To Do.	5000	—	—		—	By Ballance	18000	—	—
20.	To Import Warehousekr. recd. of him	14000	—	—						
28.	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	7000	—	—						
30.	To Ditto	8000	—	—						
31.	To Ditto	6000	—	—						
		73000	—	—				73000	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

TREASURY ACCOUNTS—*cont.*

MADRAS PAGODAS.

Dr.				Cr.			
July.				July.			
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month	3000	— —	26.	By the Honble Compys Cash paid in Consultation	32000	— —
2.	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	6000	— —				
5.	To Ditto	4000	— —				
15.	To Ditto	4000	— —				
19.	To Ditto	5000	— —				
24.	To Ditto	6000	— —				
26.	To Ditto	4000	— —				
		32000	— —				

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

MADRASS RUPEES.

Dr.				Dr.			
July.				July.			
1.	By Ballance brought from last Month	8320	— —	27.	By Bengal Presidency ℔ York	80000	— —
19.	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master ...	240000	— —		By Ballance	168320	— —
		248320	— —			248320	— —

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

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Arrived the Honble Companys Ship Prince George Edward Burman from Fort Marlbrō and Batavia with Packets from the Gentlemen at the former, Duplicates whereof have already been recd. by the Prince Edward also Genl. Letter from St. Helena dated the 3d. April 1753. Letters from Captain Roger Mainwaring dated 5th. June and 6th. July and a Letter from Mr. Danl. Tottie dated 2d. Febry 1754. 5th.

Sailed Brigantine Faté Dawlat, Habibulla Noquedah for Pegue. 6.

Do. Brigantine Antonia Dorothea, Jan Dirkson for Negpm. —

Recd. ℔ Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 6th. Instant. 9.

Arrived sloop Syrian . . . from Pondicherry. —

Recd. ℔ Pattamar General Letter from Anjengo dated 4th. Ulto. 10.

Arrived Snow Caroline, Robert Holford from Porto Novo. —

Sailed Sloop Syrian . . . for Bengall. —

Recd. ℔ Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated 6th. Inst. 11.

Arrived Ship Galatea . . . from Pondichery and sail'd the same day for Bengal. 12.

Sailed Ship Orange Zael, Peter Walraven, for Pulliacat. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT. MONDAY THE 12TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last consultation dated the 5th. Instant read and sign'd.

Mr. Alexander Wynch, reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

General Letters read Vizt. General Letters read.

No. 145 from the Govr. and Council of St. Helena dated 3d. April 1753, desiring that the 5 ℔ Cent may be sent them in the following Articles 50 ps. of Long Cloth at 4 Pags. 50 ps. at 3 Pagodas, 20 ps. at 10 Pags. 50 ps. of cotton stockings at 6 shillings ℔ Pair and the rest in Arrack and Rice advising that the Company had appointed Lieutenant John Adamson to be Lieutenant Govr. of that Island. From St. Helena.

No. 146 and No. 147 from Captain Roger Mainwaring of Ship Colchester, the first dated at Batavia the 5th. June (being a Duplicate the Original whereof hath not been received) advising his arrival there and that he was in hopes shortly of obtaining an Order to go to Onrust to repair but how long his Stay there would be, he could not judge as it depended on the condition of the Ships Bottom, that he is in hopes he shall be able to purchase the Timber and Plank We directed him, the other is dated at Onrust the 6th. July, advising that having obtain'd permission to repair he was making preparations to heave down, that he is hopes he shall be able to get refitted, so as to arrive here by the limitted time, but is doubtfull whether he shall have time to take in so full a Loading of Timber and Plank as he could wish that he will address Us again by another opportunity. from Captain Mainwaring.

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From Fort Marlbrō.

Nº. 148 from Mr. Daniel Tottie at Fort Marlbrō dated the 2d. Febry last enclosing and recommends. to Our Consideration a Copy of a Letter by him address'd to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort Marlbrō the 27th. Septr. last on Mr. Dawals being appointed to the Residency of Manna in preference to him, whereby he thinks himself aggrieved being a Senior Servant.

From Fort St. David.

Nº. 149 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 6th. Instant, acquainting us that they had permitted Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson to come up to the presidency for the Recovery of his health. That Irshippa Chitty and Paupa Rauze having sollicited an advance of 10000 Pagodas each they were called upon to give some satisfactory Account whether any Dependance could be plac'd on their performance, that they endeavoured to amuse with promises of their Endeavours, but would give no direct answer what quantity could be provided for the Septembr. Dispatch, wherefore considering the uncertain State of the Country they had advanc'd them only 5000 Pagodas each & taken their Bonds to be answerable for all Risques, upon the whole they do not flatter themselves with any Success agt. the September Dispatch, nor any thing material for the January ship and even what may be provided for Septembr. must be sent up, brown as the short time remaining will not admit of curing it.

from Anjengo &

Nº. 150 from the Chief and Factors at Anjengo dated the 4th. July enclosing a Duplicate Packet for the President and Council of Bombay which they desire may be forwarded.

Deve-Cotah.

Nº. 151 from Mr. Charles Hopkins chief of DeveCotah dated the 6th. Instant acquainting us that the three Companys of seapoys We ordered to be raised some time ago were compleated before he recd Our directions to the contrary, but he is in want of at least 8 chests of Arms, for them besides some spare arms for the Garrison that the Musters of Chially Cloth shall be sent by the first Conveyance. That the Books of the settlement are in hand. That the Polligars neglect their Duty in that they keep but few * Talliars, and those rather to rob than protect the Inhabitants, that they Mortgage Grounds belonging to other people, refuse to satisfy their Creditors just demands and set all authority at Defiance. Enclosing an Estimate of Sundry Repairs, which he says are absolutely necessary, as well as some others, Estimate whereof has been already sent us, Enclosing also an Abstract of offreckonings, which has been return'd the Invalids, acquainting us also that Captain Forbes and Campbell Commands were arrived there & that Mauphoos Cawn had wrote to him to provide Transports for his Army, for that he intended shortly to follow.

Mr. Totties Letter referr'd to the West Coast Committee.

AGREED that Mr. Totties Letter, this day read, be referr'd to the Committee for Affairs of the West Coast to examine and Report.

St. David to wrote to on their Investmt. and that none of the Compys servants are to come up without Our leave.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be acquainted, We disapprove of their permitting Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson to come up hither without Our leave, as his Health was not so bad but that it might have admitted of Delay' till Our Answer could be received, and in future none of the Companys servants are to remove from the subordinates except on emergent Occasions Without Our permission. That in regard to their Investment We observe Irchippa Chitty and Paupa Rauze deal very ingeniously wth. them, for in a former Letter they promise to bring in 400 Bales for the September dispatch, if they were not impeded for want of money and by fresh disturbances, but they no sooner perceive the difficulty of money removed than they evade their promise and only say in general terms they will do their best.

* A watchman. Tam. *talaiyari*, [from *talai*, 'head,' a Chief watchman], *Hobson Jobson p.* 892.

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ORDERED that the packet from Anjengo for the President and Council of Bombay be forwarded by Pattamar.

Anjengo packet for Bby to be forwarded by Pattamar.

AGREED that Mr. Hopkins be acquainted We have no opportunity at present to send him any arms he must therefore be supply'd from St. David, that the Repairs of which he encloses an Estimate may be perform'd and that in regard to the Pollygars they must be kept to their Duty and Oblig'd to do justice.

Mr. Hopkins to be wrote to that he must get arms from St. David.

Pollygars must be kept to their Duty.

Letter from Stringer Lawrence Esqr. read as entered hereafter being in answer to one wrote him for his opinion on a petition of Captain Polier entered after Consultation the 8th. July. In regard to the Cloathing a like application having been before made to the Board by Captain Gaupp in consultation the 4th. March, when it was resolved to refer the decision thereof to Our Honble Masters (which was accordingly done by the Durrington) and untill their answer be received that the Swiss company's should with respect to their Cloathing be on the same footing as the English Corps, it is now also resolved that they remain so untill the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known that is to say that the Offreckonings be drawn for the Effective Men only and as they are in this Respect put upon the same footing with our Captains, it is but reasonable they should have the same Advantage also and 'tis therefore AGREED that Captain Polier be paid the charges of transporting the Cloathing he mentions from Fort St. David to Tritchinopoly being ten pagodas and also the 15 Rupees ℔ day Batta during the time he had the Chief Command of the Army Vizt. from the 18th. April to the 12th. May both inclusive being 25 days AND that the Military Paymaster discharge the same.

Letter from Mess[rs]. Boddam, Powney and Wynch read as entered hereafter, representing that agreeable to order of Consultation they had survey'd a parcell of cloth recd from Fort St. David in Febry last and found 1222 pieces of it so much torn and damg'd that it is fit for nothing but Wrappers & that on examining the Bale Notes they found that the whole had been measured and Embaled by Mr. Newton, but that it does not appear the Cloth was ever sorted.

Letter from Major Lawrence in regard to Captn. Poliers Petition *Vide* consultn. 8th. July.

Captn. Polier to be paid for carriage of clothing to Tritchinopoly. & 15 Rups. ℔ day Batta while he commanded in Chief.

Report of torn and damag'd Cloth from St. David.

ORDERED that a Copy of the said Report be sent to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David and that they be acquainted We are determin'd their Export Warehousekeeper shall either take the Cloth for his own Account or make good the difference in value to the Company upon a just Appraisement.

The Expo. Wareho.kr. to take it for his own Account or pay the difference to the Compy.

AGREED that Cowles be granted the several Renters of the Companys Villages and others that the Coolies they shall send to labour on the Companys Works, shall not be pressed on any Expeditions or sent out of the Bounds and that the quotas of the several Renters be fixed in the manner following Vizt.

Cooleys to be supply'd for the Works by the farmers and not to be press'd.

		Cooleys.
Rayal Pundat Renter of Poonemalee	dayly	... 400
Subramoney Moodeliar & Linga Chitty for St. Thomé	do.	... 150
Maliah, head of the Parriars	do. ...	... 100
Gruapah for the Villages he Rents & Salt Pans ...	do. ...	... 60
Linga Chitty	Do. ...	... 50
Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah &ca.	Do. ...	... 25
Mauriapah		... 20
		805

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Account dificiency of Lead ℔ Denham.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an Account of a deficiency of Lead ℔ ship Denham which the Commander has paid for— ORDERED that it be entered hereafter.

Weight of Goods and Coins settled.

Sundry Disputes having arisen in the purchase of Goods with regard to the Weight, the [1] Candy and [2] Pecul being by some persons, reckon'd at a greater Weight for certain species of Goods than for others, and some doubts & Incertainys having also happen'd in regard to the sale of Gold and the weight and fineness of the Coins, for preventing the like in future, it *is* ORDERED that the following Regulations be publish'd by Advertisement, to be affix'd at the Town Gates, and that Notice thereof be given by beat of Tom Tom Viz^{t}. that from and after the 1st. day of Septem^{r}. next ensuing.

25^{lb}. Twenty-five pounds shall be reckon'd one M^{d}. .. .. } for every kind and species of Goods.
500 Five hund pounds shall be reckon'd one Candy .. .. }
133 ⅓ One hund and thirty-three pounds and one-third of a pound shall be reckon'd one pecul .. ..

C.P.	oz.	dwts.	q.	
100 Current or Star Pagodas shall weigh ..	10	19	—	& be of 80 Touch fineness.
1 D^{o}. D^{o}. shall weigh ..	—	2	$4\frac{56}{100}$	
M.P.				
100 Madras Pagodas shall weigh	11	1	1	& be of 86¼ eighty six and one quarter touch fineness.
1 Madras Pagodas shall weigh	—	2	5	
A.R^{s}.	OZ			
100 Arcot Rupees shall weigh	36	15	—	and be 4½ better than standard.
1 Arcot Rupee shall weigh	—	7	$8\frac{2}{5}$	
M.P.				
100 Madrass Rupees shall weigh	37	5	20	and be 14½ better than standard.
1 Madrass Rupee shall weigh	—	7	11	

And it having been some time a practise to purchase Gold by the Pagoda weight whereon Disputes have afterwards arisen, whether the Madrass or the Current Star Pagoda were mean it is hereby ordered that all bargains for Gold by the Pagoda weight shall from and after the 1st. day of September next be understood to be the Star or Current Pagoda unless the Madrass Pagoda shall be particularly mention'd and agreed on.

Mr. Stratton's Exors give security for paymt. of a Ballance to the Compy.

The Secretary acquaints the Board that in consequence of an Order of last Consultation he had demanded security of the Executors of M^{r}. John Stratton deceas'd for payment of a Ballance due from the said decd to the Company, and that they had deposited in his hands, the Titles Deeds of a House part of the Estate of the said decds situated in S^{t}. Thomas's street, which Title Deeds are now produced to the Board ORDERED that they be safely kept with the Companys Phirmaunds and other papers of Consequence untill the said demand be satisfy'd.

Mr. Drake sworn in an Alderman of the Mayors Court.

M^{r}. Dawson Drake having been chosen at the last Consultation an Alderman of the Mayors Court now attends the Board agreeable to Summons and the Oath's directed by the Charter are administered to him in due form—ORDERED that the Secretary signify the same to the Mayors Court.

A West Coast certift. to be accepted & p^{d}.

A Certificate drawn by the SupraVizors and Council at Fort Marlbro for ℔ 200 or Pag^{s}. 121. 7. 50 payable to M^{r}. William Burton, value recd into the Companys Cash of Hajee Hahmud being presented to the Board ORDERED that it be accepted payable in ten days.

1. a weight roughly 500 pounds—*Hobson Jobson, page*, 155.
2. The Malay name of the Chinese weight, *Hobson, Jobson, page* 690.

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Captain Edward Burman's Accounts of the Ship Prince George in her late Voyage to the West Coast Batavia and back with charges of Repairs and Invoice of Timber and Plank purchased at Batavia on the Company's Account are now laid before the Board ORDERED that they be delivered to the accountant to be examin'd. Acct. of Prince Geo. produced and referr'd to the Accomt.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in five thousand (5000) Pagodas from the Treasury on Accot. of Gold recd from England. Money paid in from the Treasury.

AGREED that two thousand five hundred (2500) Pagodas be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Advance to the Commissary.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In obedience to your directions We have survey'd the brown cloth that was recd from Fort St. David last Febry, and find 1222 pieces to be damag'd and torn which tho' it may not be fit to send to Europe as good Cloth, We are of opinion that when it is wash'd it may serve for Wrappers, on calling for the Notes that were in the Bales, we observed that the whole was put to No. 2 that it is measured and embaled by Mr. Newton the Under Warehousekr., but not sorted by any body to which We attribute the bad Condition of the Cloth.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servts.

CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8TH. AUGUST 1754.

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TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

My last was on the 30th. Ulto.

I have examin'd Captain Polier's petition, and think it but reasonable that he should receive the stoppage allowed for the Cloathing of his Company always to the full of his establishment, but let that Establishment be settled, that Gentleman says 140 Men was the number he agreed to bring over for the Company, but as a favour they passed him 160, since that was allowed by them

I think they intended his Company should consist of that number. In consequence he should draw the Off reckonings for them, for otherwise, only drawing for the effective on the Spot (as he plainly shews it himself he must be a loser by the Casualties, which have and still must happen besides if any Recruits come for him he has no fund for their Cloathing, the money must be advanc'd by him, and should his Company suffer by death and desertion he cannot reimburse himself.

I think therefore he should be allowed to draw the Offreckonings to the full of his Establishmt. for the future, and I believe the Company intended the same and what he has already suffered on that Account should be made up to him by giving him the Allowance from the time he came to this presidency. As to what he mentions of Gratifications which are given in other Services, by the Employers, either as Rewards or to make up losses, and which he says hitherto have not had in the Honble Companys service *at least the Swiss Captains*, I know of no Gratifications, that any of the Captains have received in the English service, so that is no particular hardship on them.

The Expence he has been at in bringing up his Cloathing, I referr'd him to you for, as I could not know your Intentions about it, and as them Gentlemen have, and insist on Distinct priviledges, Our Rules cannot be precedents for them. But as Our Captains have their Cloathing sent up without Charges the same Indulgence I think can be allow'd them.

The Gentlemen may be very just as to the time he commanded the Army; and so should I in taking an Account for how long it was, that I left it to him. But as I often had been oblig'd for Health sake to go in three or four days, I was in hopes this would not have been for a longer time, and therefore I did not dream of such a Charge, or I too would have been particular, but I dare say he is right to a day, neither did I offer the Table for the same reason, besides I had often asked the Gentleman to it, but was always refused on Account of his Health, and being oblig'd to keep up to a Regimen. I imagin'd the same reason subsisted, and as I naturally hate Ceremoney left him as I thought was most agreeable to his own Diet and Choice, But I beg he may have 15 Rupees ℔ day, since he has asked them, but at the same time I insist on it that he tells you the other perqusites which he has been deprived of during his Command, and I desire Gentlemen you will please to acquaint me with them.

As to the Affair of the 12th. he behaved then agreeable to the Character I ever knew him maintain of a good and brave Officer. The Gentleman also took the Command after he was wounded, had some small share in the honour of the day, both before and after he join'd them.

I cannot finish this without mentioning a Word about the Swiss Priviledges, which the Company desires the Gentlemen may enjoy the same as they do in all foreign services, agreeable to their Order I assure you that whatever priviledges the Swiss Officers have themselves said was their Right, I always granted them & shall continue to do it, they shall have no reason to Complain, nor I believe they do not, if they were asked the Question, But by the by, such distinctions are impossible to be made without creating some disputes in such a small Corps as Ours. And the way Our Gentlemen have manag'd with regard to these Troops at home, makes us liable to many more. The Capitulation made by the Company with the Cantons for these Troops should have been sent over, and every right and Priviledge they were to enjoy by it set down clearly and distinctly. Then we must have known what to do. Instead of that it is only in general terms specefy'd they are to enjoy the same priviledges as in other services. These priviledges differ in every service, their Rights and Customs being determin'd according to the Agreement made by their Employers with the Cantons from which they are hired—the only way We can be inform'd what are the Rights agreed upon and granted them, must be from the Gentlemen themselves, which may be just what they please, this is certainly not

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a proper way to inform us of What we ought to know. I do not doubt the Honour of the Swiss officers, or that they would ask for more than their due, but the Misfortune is they differ amongst themselves, nor have they nor can they, exactly agree what are to be their priviledges from having different ones in every different service they have been in.

This step of the Company one would have thought of Consequence enough not to have been lightly considered and worse managed, they have run away with the name of the thing Swiss Troops they might have had British ones as cheap and as good not by that that I would depriciate the merit of those who have certainly behaved equally well with the rest, but it would have been more natural and more agreeable to the British Constitutions, who are not used to such Mixtures or at least in such a small Corps as Ours.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant
S. LAWRENCE.

PALLIPUT CAMP
AUGUST Y^E. 3^D. 1754.

ACCOUNT OF LEAD DEFICIENT ℔ SHIP DENHAM.

	O.	qr.	lb.	s.	d.		£.		
Lead 9. — 8 @ 18. 8							8	9	4
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Cent							—	—	10
						£.	8	10	2
Advance 30 ℔ Cent							2	11	—
									sh.
						£.	11	1	2 a 8 ℔ Pag.
						Pag^s.		27	23 20

FORT S^T. GEORGE,
12^TH. AUGUST 1754.

HENRY POWNEY,
Imp^o. Wareh^o. K^r.

14^TH. Sailed snow Mary William Thomas for Aracan.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^t. David dated this day.

15 D^o. D^o. D^o. to DeveCotah dated this day.

17 Arrived the Honble Companys ship Norfolk Captain Pinson Bonham from England with a packet for the presidency from the Honble Court of Directors, and M^r. James Macarmith Writer for this Establishm^t. Passenger.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^R. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXAND^R. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY THE 17^TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

twelve Or Clock. Packet ℔ Norfolk open'd

The packet from the Honble Court of Directors by the Norfolk being opened are found to contain Duplicate of the General Letters recd ℔ York and Denham dated 23^d. and 31^st. Janry 1754 with sundry other Duplicate papers

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mentioned in the List—Captn. Bonham also delivers a Letter from Mr. Geo: Higginson dated at Gravesend the 27 Janry. containing an Account of several Military Recruits discharg'd at Gravesend and of some enlisted there.

Denham to be dispatch'd to the Bay.

AGREED that the Denham be dispatch'd to Bengal and that sixty chests of Treasure be laden on her and consign'd to the Gentlemen there and that the Norfolk be detain'd untill the Colchester arrives from Batavia.

Order to Captn Bonham to deliver Treasure etc.

AN ORDER is now sign'd to Captain Bonham for the delivery of the Treasure, Military, Wares and stores consign'd to this presidency.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

17TH. RECD by Pattamars General Letters from Vizagapatm. dat. 12 Ulto.
from Ingeram dated 29th. Ulo.
from Bandarmka. Inst.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 19th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated 12th. & 17th. Instant read and sign'd.

Hospital reported.

Mr. John Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint.

General Letters read.

General Letters read Vizt.

From Vizagapatam.

No. 152 from George Pigot Esqr. Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 12th. Ulto. acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 30th. June ℔ St. George and advising that that ship having fallen to Leward they have ordered Captain Robinson to anchor in Bimblipatam Road, where they propose to land the money and Stores. That the four serjeants who came with Lieutenant Nelson are landed, but as to Captain Gardner they apprehend he must be drove past and gone to Bengal, the Vessell he was aboard having parted two Cables in Bandarmalanka Road, that they will provide all the ordinary Cloth they can and not exceed the quantity limitted of fine. That they apprehend the difference in the measure of Cloths in England and the lengths as ℔ Invoice arise from their being Measured here brown and there white as they generally shrink a yard in the Wash, that they will if possible get all their Cloths made 75 Covids long and 2 Covids 6 Inches broad, but they despare [*sic*] of getting any quantity, Cotton being very dear and the Country much impoverish'd, that they will give possitive directions to the Washers not to mix Chunam with the Conge. That they will endeavour to procure a Bale of the different sorts of Muslins made in those parts, by September & dispatch the same to us with what other cloth they have ready which they dont think will exceed 100 Bales besides what they have on hand being 106 Bales.

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from Ingeram.

N°. 153 from Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated the 29th. Ult°. advising that the French have delivered him his Timbers and have not yet made any demands of the Towns which he mentions in his last, but seem to have some design on Ingeram, and it's thought they are comg. to destroy it. That he is advised a 1000 Seapoys and 100 Horse are arrived at Rajahmundrum from Mr. Bussy with some large Guns &ca. that he is preparing for the defence of the place and hopes to maintain it till he receives Our Orders, that he is also getting ready a vessell to embark the Companys Effects on. Cloth on hand 272 Bales.

Bandarmalka.

N°. 154 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the [*lacuna*] Instant advising that Monsr. Bussy with his Camp is at Elore raising Money for Salabat Jing and to pay his own people who are very pressing. That he is shortly expected at Rajahmundrum and as he comes in quality of Nabob and expects to be treated as such, he (Andrews) desires Our Orders how to act in this respect as he apprehends that he must either treat him as such, have a sufficient force to oppose him or suffer Our Business to be interrupted. Enclosing Monthly accounts.

Northern settlemts. wrote to.

AGREED that Pattamars be dispatch'd to the Northern Settlements and that the Gentlemen be respectively ordered not to acknowledge Mr. De Bussy for Nabob of that province on any Account as he is only the Renter of it by virtue of a Cowle from Salabat Jing.

Pattamars to be dispatchd to Bby and Anjingo.

ORDERED that Pattamars be dispatch'd to Bombay to forward packets recd from England, St. Helena and Anjengo and that the Anjengo Peons be return'd.

Dispute between Mr. Dawson and Captn. Pasckall examin'd & determin'd.

Some disputes having arisen between Mr. George Dawson, when he had the Charge of DeveCotah and Captain Pascal who was then Commanding Officer there, Complaint was made to Major Lawrence touching some particulars wherein Captain Pascall thought himself aggrieved which the Major having recommended to the consideration of the Board they have thoroughly enquired into the several Facts and do find.

That Captain Pascall did without consulting Mr. Dawson dismount a Gun on a Bastion, in which he was culpable, Mr. Dawson being then provisional Chief, nothg. ought to have been done without his Order or Consent.

That Captn. Pascall did without Consulting Mr. Dawson order the Lascars to dismount the said Gun in which he was wrong, they being under Mr. Dawson's Command as Chief, who was therefore Justifyable in taking them off and directing them to do nothing without his Order.

THAT Captain Pascall did of his own Authority dismiss a Subadar from the service whilst Mr. Dawson was prest. and contrary to his request and representation in which he was highly blameable as such an action was a direct breach of all Order and Regularity, for the Chief Command being necessarily lodged in the head of every settlement, and Mr. Dawson as provisional chief being such, nothing should have been transacted without his Order much less contrary to his Inclination and Consent.

THAT the said Subadar being afterwards brought before Captain Pascall he did either kick or ignominiously turn him down stairs publickly in which he was blameable, such usage being unbecoming an Officer to give or receive, if the Subadar had been guilty he ought to have been regularly try'd and punish'd.

THAT Mr. Dawson did refuse to let Captain Pascall have a Roll of the Lascars in which he was to blame as Captain Pascall being the Commanding Officer ought to have been acquainted with the full state of the Garrison.

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THAT on Occasion of Captain Pascalls writing to S^{t}. David for Centry Boxes, M^{r}. Dawson being acquainted with it and thinking it an encroachment on his Office flew into a passion and called for his Sword and pistolls, in which he was highly Culpable as he ought to have represented to the presidency any Misconduct or encroachment on his just power, and not have resented it in such an indecent manner.

Secretary to reprimand them both.

UPON the whole it appears to the Board that a Misunderstanding having arisen between M^{r}. Dawson and Captain Pascall, they thwarted each other, for which they are both blameable, the Secretary is therefore ORDERED to signify to them the displeasure of this Board and to acquaint them that nothing but their good behaviour in future can attone for their respective Misconduct and restore them to the good opinion of their superiors.

Export Wareh^{o}.kr. reports the measures of Cloth when brown and after wash'd.

Pursuant to Order of last Consultation the 5th. Instant the Export Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an Account of the Measure of five pieces of Cloth brown & white in order to ascertain the shrinking in the Wash Viz^{t}.

	ps.		when brown.		when wash'd.	Yds. Inch.
LONG CLOTH MIDLING ..	1	measured	70	Covids	68½	equal to 36·5½
	1	d^{o}.	70	d^{o}.	68½	36·5½
	1	d^{o}.	70	d^{o}.	68½	36·5½
	1	d^{o}.	70	d^{o}.	68½	36·5½
	1	d^{o}.	70	d^{o}.	69	39·15

No cloth to be taken in under 70 Covids brown.

whereby it appears that a bronn [*sic*] Cloth of 70 Covids will when washed turn out above the Companys stipulated measure of 36 yards, the length of a Covid being full half a Yard and an Inch, It is however ORDERED that no Cloth in future be taken in under seventy Covids brown, and that it be possitively insisted on with the Merchants that they bring in their Cloth full seventy two Covids and that all under 71 be taken at an abatement.

The Merchants to attend next Consuln.

ORDERED that the Companys Merch^{ts}. do attend the Board on Monday next and that the same may be signify'd to them.

Account sale of Lead.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an account sale of 1300 Candy's of the Honble Companys Lead sold at outcry the 15th. Instant amount^{s}. to seventeen thousand and thirty (17030) Pagodas which on an average is thirteen Pagodas ℔ Candy.

Account sale of Iron.

The Storekeeper also lays before the Board an Account sale of 600 Candy's of the Honble Companys Iron sold at Outcry the 16th. Instant amount^{s}. to seven thousand seven hundred and fifty (7750) Pagod^{s}. which on an Average is near thirteen Pagodas ℔ Can. ORDERED that the said Accounts be entered hereafter.

Extra Occurrences. Paddy purchas'd of Ibrahim Ally Cawn to be paid for at Vizagapatam.

The Export Warehousek^{r}. acquaints the Board that Ibrahim Ally Cawn's paddy directed in Consultation the 29th. Ult^{o}. to be purchased for the Compy had been measured and turn'd out 12 Garce 70 Mercalls which at the present Market price of 33 Pag^{s}. ℔ Garce amounts to four hundred and one Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and seventy two Cash (401. 27. 72).

ORDERED that Vizagapatam Factory be Credited for the same and that the Gentlemen there be directed to pay the amount to Ibrahim Ally Cawn and Debt us.

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Triplicane Bridge having long been broken down so that all passengers and Carriages are obligd to wade thro' the River which is of great Inconvenience and even prejudice to the settlement, the S^{t}. Thomé Road being a very great thoroughfare. Triplicane Bridge to be repaired.

ORDERED that a Temporary Bridge be made in the place where the old Bridge is broken down of sufficient strength for Carriages as well as foot passengers to pass and that it be compleated before the Monsoon setts in.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that the salt petre ordered in Consultation the 29th. Ult^{o}. to be purchas'd of Captain Durand at the Bengal price had been weigh'd and turns out 2542 Baggs or 4862 Bengal Maunds and fifteen pounds amounting to twenty eight thousand five hundred and sixty five (28565) Arcot Rupees ORDERED that the said sum be issued out to him to pay for the same. Salt petre purchas'd as ℔ Consult. 29TH. Ulto. Advance to pay for it.

ORDERED that the three Confiscated Houses be fitted up for the Accomodation of the officers of the squaddron (should it arrive) and others as occasion may require and that necessary furniture such as Chairs, Tables &c^{a}. be provided And the Secretary is ordered to give Notice to the present Inhabitants to quit the same as soon as they can provide other Houses. The 3 Confiscated Houses to be fitted up and furniture provided.

THE President acquaints the Board that M^{rs}. La Metre had requested of him permission for her Husband to come up hither for some time to settle his affairs, he being shortly expected to arrive at Pondicherry in a French ship from Europe. Mr. De La Metre permitted to come hither to settle his affairs.

AGREED that he have leave to come up to settle his affairs, but in case it should appear he has not the Companys permission to reside here, that a time be then limitted for his departure out of the Bounds. A Time limitted for his departure if not permitted by the Compy. to reside here.

Linga Chittee offering a Bill of Exchange on his Gomastah's at Fort S^{t}. David for a Lack of Rupees free of Commission or Charge AGREED that it be accepted as all Risque is thereby saved to the Company. A Lack of Rupees to be remitted to St. David by Bill.

THE President represents to the Board that Whereas it hath for time immemorial been a Law or establish'd Custom amongst the Gentous and Mallabars for one Brother to be liable to the Debts and Engagem^{ts}. of another and to possess and enjoy in Common the Estates descended to them from their Ancestors or acquired by themselves, which Indistinction of Fortune and property hath been productive of many bad Consequences to the Industrious as it hath also proved an Encouragement to the licentious and Indolent to waste their Family's substance thro' a dependance on the Assiduity of others, He therefore proposes to the consideration of the Board and offers it as his opinion that it will tend to the General Benefit of the Inhabitants if that Custom were totally abolish'd and the English Laws substituted in it's stead, and to that end that a reasonable time be limitted for making an equitable division of Estates from and after which time every individual shall possess his own proper Estate only & be alone liable to his proper debts and Engagements, but that such proposed Law shall not be construed to affect any Transaction prior to the Commencement of it. The President proposes to the Board to abolish a custom among the Gentous &ca. whereby one Brot. is liable to the Debts of another and to substitute the English Laws instead.

The several Members of the Board being of opinion that the foregoing proposal is of too much Consequence to be hastily determin'd, desire time to consider it and to deliver in their several opinions in Writing. The Board desire time to consider & deliver in their opinions.

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Money paid in for Rupees sold & advanc'd the Expt. Warehousekr.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in seven thousand seven hundred and twenty Pagodas nine fanams and fifty eight Cash (7720. 9. 58) for Rupees sold which sum is now advanc'd the Export Warehousekr. to pay for salt petre purchas'd.

Sea Customer pays in on his running Accot.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas on his running Account.

Advance to the storekeeper.

AGREED that one thousand (1000) Pagodas be advanc'd the storekeeper to pay for Materials purchas'd by the Committee for conducting the Works.

AR. WYNCH. THOS. SAUNDERS.
JOHN SMITH. CHAS. BODDAM.
CHS. BOURCHIER. HENRY POWNEY.

ACCOUNT SALE of the Honble Companys LEAD by Publick Outcry on the following Conditions Vizt.

1st. To be exposed to View at the Sea Gate.

2dy. The Purchaser shall be allowed twelve Months to clear any Lot thereof.

3dy. The Buyer on paying the Amount of his Lot shall have it delivered him and none whatever to be delivered till the Money is actually paid.

4. An Allowance or Discount shall be made the Buyer of nine ℔ Cent if paid in before the Expiration of six Months from the Commencement of the sale, and an Allowance in like manner shall be made of three ℔ Cent if paid in after six Months and before the expiration of twelve Months from the Commencement of the Sale aforesaid.

5thy. After the expiration of twelve Months if any shall remain unclear'd according to the Condition aforesaid such shall be put up at publick Auction and sold for ready Money and if any Loss is occasion'd thereby the prior Purchaser shall be oblig'd to make good the same.

6thy. If any person shall fail to make payment within twelve Months as aforesaid for any Lot bought by him, he shall not be permitted to be a Buyer at any future sale untill he has made full Satisfaction for such Non-payment.

7thy. All persons whatever without Distinction shall be free to purchase at the Companys Auction on the Terms above written.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
August 15th. 1754.	LEAD	20 Candy.	Pags. 10 16 70	Pags. 12 2	Pago.	13 — — ℔ Can. Pags.	260 — Bussavapah Chitty.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 — — do.	260 — Cullavah Chitty.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 — — do.	260 — Do.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 — — do.	260 — Coja Shawmeir.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 — — do.	260 — Cullavah Chitty.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 — — do.	260 — Ditto.
	Do.	20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cattaul Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cattaul Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cullavah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 9 — do.	265 — Pallapah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 9 — do.	265 — Carumba Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cullavah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Arnagry Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Mootoo Comrapah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Ditto.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cullivah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 9 — do.	265 — Ramah Linga Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Vencataisha Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Cullavah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Bussavapah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. ..	..	13 4 40 do.	262 18 Do.
Carried over ..		700 Candy				Carried over ..	9,180 —

The Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
Brought forward ..		700			Brought forward ..	9,180 —	
		20 Candy.	Pags. 10 16 70	Pags. 12 2 —	13 4 40 ℔ Candy	Pags. 262 18	Bussavapah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	Pags. 12 12 —	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 4 40 do. ..	.. 262 18	Narrain Pillay.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Chialah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Veranah Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Narrain Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Veradayah.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Cotah Linga.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 262 18	Nersoo.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	M. Powney.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 ⅛ — do. ..	.. 260 18	Bussavaha Chitty.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Mr. Powney.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		20 Do.	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	13 — — do. ..	.. 260 —	Do.
		1300 Candys.			Pagodas	17030 — [*Sic*]	

FORT ST. GEORGE.
15TH. AUGUST 1754.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ HENRY POWNEY,
Impo. Wareho.kr.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1754* ——

ACCOUNT SALE of the Honble Companys IRON by PUBLICK OUTCRY upon the following Conditions.

1. The Goods are to be exposed to Sale at the Sea Gate.

2d. The purchaser of any Goods shall be allowed twelve Months to clear ym. or any parcell of them out of the Warehouse without paying Rent or Allowance for the Warehouse Room.

3d. The Buyer on paying the Amount of his Goods or any other part thereof shall have such parcel or Goods delivered to him and no Goods whatever to be delivered till the Money is actually paid.

4. An Allowance or Discount shall be made to the Buyer of nine ℔ Cent if paid in before the Expiration of six Months from the Commencement of the Sale and an Allowance in like Manner shall be made of three ℔ Cent if paid in after six Months and before the Expiration of twelve Months from the Commencement of the Sale aforesaid.

5. After the Expiration of twelve Months if any Goods remain uncleared according to the Conditions aforesaid such Goods shall be put up at publick Auction and sold for ready Money and if any Loss is occasion'd thereby the prior purchaser shall be oblig'd to make Good the same.

6. If any person shall fail to make payment within twelve Months as aforesaid for any Goods bought by him he shall not be permitted to be a Buyer at any future Sale untill he has made full satisfaction for such his non payment.

7. All Persons whatever without distinction shall be free to purchase at the Company's Auction upon the Term above written.

The time of sale.	Quality of the goods.	Lot or quantity.		Invoice Price.		Price put up at.			Price sold at.		Amount of ea. Lot.		To whom sold.
16th August 1754.	Iron.	20	Candy. Pags.	8	34	Pags.	10	24	Pagodas 12¾ ℔ Ca.		Pagodas	255	Comrapah Chitty.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Ditto.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Trivingadum.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Colery Chitty.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Do.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Comrapah Chitty.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. Pags.	8	24	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Comrapah Chitty.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Comerasoamy.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Triemoleapah.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Shorvonah.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Do.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Mr. Bourchier.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Do.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Comera Chitty.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13	do.	..	260	Shorvonah.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Mr. Wynch.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12¾	do.	..	255	Moodu.
	Do.	20	Do. ..	..	..	..	..	..	12½	do.	..	250	Mr. Wynch.
		600	Candys.								Pagodas	7750	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ ALEXR: WYNCH.
Storekr.

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Sailed Snow Three Brothers, John Jacob Crouter for Sadrass and Pegue. 20
Sent by Pattamars General Letter to Bombay dated this day. —
Sailed Brigantine Meramadett, Shaik Sunda Mercar, for Pullicat and Aracan. 21ST.
Sent by Pattamars General Letter to Anjengo dated this day. —
Do. by Peons Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, enclosing a Bill in their favour for a Lack of Rupees. —
Sailed the Honble Company's ship Denham Captain George Meard for Bengal with General Letter to the President and Council there dated Yesterday. 22ND.
Sent by Pattamars General Letters to Vizagapatam Ingeram and Maddapollam all dated this day.
Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 20th. Inst. 23RD.
Sailed ship Club, John Durand, for Bengal. —
Do. ship Mary, Alexr. Reid Do. —
Do. sloop Squirrel, John Jenigree, Do. —
Do. ship Phattabux, Baimiah, for Tenasseree. —
Recd. by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated 19th. Instt. 24

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 26TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 19th. Instant read and sign'd.

Mr. Charles Bourchier reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complt. Hospital reported.

General Letters read Vizt.

No. 155 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 20th. Instant advising that they had delivered Captain Forbes and Campbell the 50000 Rups. 48000 of which they left with Mr. Hopkins at DeveCotah and paid themselves 2000 Rupees which they had advanc'd Mauphoos Cawn, That the Trevendeporum Renters had sworn in the manner prescribed to their Receipts for 1753 and to the 31st. July 1754 amounting together to 5117. 20 and they desire to know whether they shall receive the same in full, that they had appointed a Committee to enquire into the Quality and dimensions of their Tents and enclose their Report whereby it appears that their Tents contain considerably less Vittery than ours and cost much more, that they want four Assistants which they reckon a full supply, that in relation to the Torn and damag'd Cloth they assure us it was all sorted, and they apprehend it must have recd. the damage in bringing hither and since, that Mr. Cooke's Indisposition at that time prevented his Attendance at the sorting Godown or at Consultation, That they have as yet recd. but 600 pieces of Cloth on Account the Investment, wherefore they apprehend they can give us but little Assistance in September Dispatch, that they have inspected the List of deficiencys and find no more than one piece of allejars and one demy piece of Chints Morees that can be charg'd to their Export Warehousekr. for which there is one piece General Letters read from Fort St. David.

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Calliapores over, that many of the Bales were left there on the removal of the presidency, That their Storekeeper is ready to make Oath he never recd the steel said to be deficient by the Protector and endors'd the Bill of Loading with an exception. That the Exchange of Pagodas there into Fanams is at 43, but not above a thousand Pagodas can be exchang'd Monthly. That they will pay due obedience to the Extracts sent them of the General Letter and desire to have a Chaplain enclosing a petition of the Cootah to be paid for a Horse he lent to mount the Troop which has been killed, desiring a further supply of 20 pipes of Madeira Wine, enclosing a petition of the DeveCotah Bound Renters, representing that several Gentlemen & others have carried away firewood without paying Juncan. That they are very sorry we are displeas'd at their permitting Mr. Johnson to come up hither and will avoid such a step in future. That several disabled Topasses and Lascars daily come from Camp and request Pensions, whereon they desire our directions. That several Deserters are come to them with a Boat from Negapatam they desire to know whether they can be protected, enclosing their Account Current to Ulto. April 1754, and Monthly Accounts and List of Furniture, that the Ballance of their Cash this day is Pags. 56469. 25.

from Deve-Cotah.

No. 156 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah, enclosing Monthly accounts for July.

St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be wrote to that they may receive of the Trevendepor[um] Renters what they have sworn to in full to the 31st. July la[st] That in regard to the Tents what they write us is not satisfactory and a further enquiry must be made of the Conicoplys and others and if they prevaricate Rigourous Measures must be used to discover the Truth, that as to the brown Cloth We would have their foul sorting Book sen[t] up hither immediately, that we may know by whom it was sorted, that the Cloth could not be damag'd after it was packed as not the least damage appeared on the outside of any of the Bales, the fault therefore still rest with them, and We insist on their making a further enquiry as we are resolved the Company shall not suffer. As [to] the deficiencys ℔ Admiral Vernon &ca. We do not desire to make their Export Warehousekr. answerable for more than belongs to him, but we would have them send us an Accot. from their Books who had Charge of the Warehouse when the other Goods, in which there appeared deficiencys, were embaled. That we shall write to Bombay for Captain James to produce his Bill of Lading and if it is endorsed with an exception, he shall be answerable for the deficient steel otherwise the storekeeper, that the Exchange of fana[ms], fa. ca. for Pagodas here is no more than 42. 20 if they can exchan[ge] at 43 'tis better they should supply themselves. That We shall shortly want Mr. Palk in Our Negociations with the French, but when it is more convenient one of the Chaplains shall reside with them a part of the Year. Th[ava] Cootah's Horse is valued at 120 Pagodas, which sum they may pay him That we cant spare any More Madera Wine. That as to the DeveCotah Bound Renters, Messrs. Boddam and Wynch supply'd the Company with an Additional Number of Bricks in consideration of cutting Firewood, the rest must be enquired into. That the disabled Topasses producing Cirtificates may be admitted on the List, but it would be better to give the Lascars some little Gratuity than burthen the Company with them. That the Dutch Deserters must be protected but the Boat return'd, and to encourage deserters from us to return a free pardon must be publish'd for all that will come back.

Mr. Newton to be wrote to for his Information concerning the Damaged Cloth.

ORDERED that the Secretary write to Mr. Andrew Newton at Tanjour (who was under Export Warehousekeeper at St. David at the time the abovemention'd damag'd Cloth was embaled) for what Information he can give relating to the sorting and embaling the Cloth.

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ORDERED that the List of Furniture recd from Fort St. David be entered in the General Books in lieu of that now standing there and the difference wrote off to Profit and Loss.

Difference between the new List of St. David furniture and the old to be wrote off.

ORDERED that the Export Warehousekr. lade as much Salt on board the Prince George as will be sufficient for her to go to sea with that she may be in readiness to proceed to St. David or elsewhere as occasion may require.

Salt to be laden on the Prince George.

A Ballance of ℔ 498. 1. 3 being due to Captn. Edward Burman of the Prince George for disbursements on Account of the said ship in her late voyage to the West Coast and Batavia ORDERED that the Storekeeper discharge the same at the rate of ℔ 15 for 10 Pagodas.

A Ballance due to Captn. Burman to be paid him.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an Indent for sundrys for the Prince George ORDERED that they be provided.

Indent for the Prince George to be complied with.

The Secretary represents to the Board that part of the Business in his Office is considerably in arrear occasion'd by the long sickness of several Assistants some of whom still continue ill AGREED that he be allowed a Monthly Writer untill the Business be brought up.

A monthly Writer to be taken into the Secretys office to bring up the business.

The President acquaints the Board that he is in want of two Writing Assistants AGREED that Mr. John Palmer and Mr. William Burton be taken in Monthly Writers for that purpose.

Two Monthly Writers allowed the president.

AGREED that Mr. James Macarm[ick] be station'd under the accountant and that Messrs. James Broadbent and Robert Dowset be station'd a[t] St. David and proceed thither by the first conveyance.

Mr. Macarmick stationd under the accompt and Messrs. Ja. Broadbent and Rt. Dowset at St. David.

A Certificate is read from the Account[ant] General that the Register of the Mayors Court is to p[ay] into Cash the sum of three hundred and eighty two (382) Pagodas to be plac'd to the Account of the Accountant General and to the Credit of the salvage of ship Arcot.

Money paid in from the Mayors Court.

ORDERED that the said sum be recd and carried to Account accordingly, and a receipt is now signed for the same.

Monthly Accot. read.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master read, that Account for last Month Ballance then remaining in the Mint Vizt. Madrass Rupees five hundred and twenty two thousand nine hundred and forty two (522942)—Arcot Rupees five hundred ninety seven thousand and fifty four, nine annaes (A. Rs. 597054. 9)—Madrass Pagodas three thousand six hundred and eighty eight (M.P. 3688) and Current Pagodas one hundred and nineteen thousand one hundred and eighty, thirteen fanams and sixty five Cash (119180. 13. 65) which is carried forward.

Mint.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him one thousand nine hundred and ninety two Pagods. twenty fanams and seventy Cash (1992. 20. 70) which is carried forward.

Export Warehouse.

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Paymaster. Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that account for last Month.

CHARGES GARRISON ... ... Pags.	233	22	34
CHARGES HOSPITAL	207	21	72
PEONS AND SERVANTS WAGES	376	29	—
CHARGES GENERAL	64	21	9
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	225	6	20
REPAIRS	999	20	7
FORTIFICATIONS	825	4	19
POONEMALEE &c^{a}. VILLAGES	20	26	64
S^{T}. THOMÉ &c^{a}. Villages	21	28	50
ALLOWANCES of the Court of Request ...	32	34	—
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	—
	3657	34	35

Ball^{ce}. due from him thirteen hundred and ninety one Pagodas, thirty four fanams and forty five Cash (1391. 34. 45) which is carried forward.

Import Warehouse. Henry Powney Import Warehouse k^{r}. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him nine thousand and sixty five Pagodas, thirty five fanams and fifty two Cash (9065. 35. 52) which is carried forward.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him eleven thousand four hundred and sixty four Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and four Cash (11464. 27. 4) which is carr^{d}. forward.

Storehouse. Alexander Wynch Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him seventeen hundred and five Pagodas, one fanams and seventy seven Cash (1705. 1. 77) which is carried forward.

Land customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred and sixty eight Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and twenty six Cash (568. 27. 26) which he now pays in.

Milĩty Paym^{r}. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him eight hundred and fifteen Pagodas and twenty fanams (815. 20) which is carried forward.

Mility Storek^{r}. Charles Bourchier Military Storek^{r}. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him one hundred and fifty three Pagodas, sixteen fanams & seventy Cash (153. 16. 70) which is carried forward.

Sea Customer pays in. Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Import Wareho.k^{r}. Henry Powney Import Warehouse k^{r}. pays in five thousand (5000) Pagodas on account of Gold recd. from Europe and five hundred & forty Pagodas, nine fanams and thirty six Cash (540. 9. 36) for Rupees sold.

Rent of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm paid in. Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kellavah Chitty Beetle and Tobacco Farmers, pay in six hundred and sixty six Pagodas, twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Months Rent of that farm due the 1st. Ult^{o}.

Rent of the arrack and wine Licence paid in. Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kellavah Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence pay in three hundred and thirty three Pagodas, twelve fanams for one months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ult^{o}.

Advances. AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}.

To the Paymaster. To the Paymaster three thousand (3000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

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To the Military Paymaster five thousand five hundred and forty Pagodas, nineteen fanams and thirty six Cash (5540. 19. 36) to pay the Military. Milĩty Paymr.

To the Military Storekeeper one thousand seven hundred Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Milĩty Storekr.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH. BOURCHIER.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters Account are in the following Particulars July the 31st.

CHARGES GARRISON	10	9	73
CHARGES GENERAL	1	10	32
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	225	6	20
REPAIRS	999	20	7
FORTIFICATIONS	825	4	19
POONEMALEE &ca. Villages	20	26	64
ST. THOMÉ &ca. Villages	21	28	50
ALLOWANCES of the COURT OF REQUESTS ...	32	34	—
PAGODAS ...	2136	32	25

Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to Mr. Andrew Newton at Tanjour dated this day. 7TH

This morning anchored in the Road the Honble Compys. Ship ANSON Captain Robert Veitch from England with a Packet directed to the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr. President and Govr. George Pigot Esqr. Alexander Heron Esqr. Messrs. Richard Starke, Charles Boddam, Henry Powney, Robert Orme, Foss Westcott, Alexander Wynch, William Perceval, Thomas Cooke, John Smith and Charles Bourchier of Council for all the Forces and Affairs of the English Nation at Fort St. George. 29TH.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THURSDAY THE 29TH. AT 11 O' CLOCK.

Captain Veitch being come on shore with the Packet mention'd in the Diary, the same is now opened and found to contain the several papers mention'd in the List thereof amongst which are the Companys Commission dated the 15th. Febry. 1754 constituting the Govr. and Council in the Order and Rank they are named in the above Copied direction and their General Letter dated the 15th. Febry. are read. Packet from Engld. p Anson opend.

ORDERED that Mr. William Perceval be summoned to attend at the next Consultation to take the Oaths and his seat at the Board. Mr. Perceval be summon'd to take his seat at next Consultation.

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The Gentlemen at St. David to be advisd of the Alteration in Council.

AGREED that Notice be given to the Gentlemen at Fort S[t]. David of the Alteration Our Honble Masters have been pleased to make in the Council.

The Dragon sloop to be dispatch'd to Vizagapatm. for M[r]. Pigot.

AGREED that the Dragon Sloop be ordered hither immediately from S[t]. David or DeveCotah and on her Arrival be dispatched directly to Vizagapatam with Notice to M[r]. Pigot of the station he is appointed to with Orders to take the first Opportunity of coming up to this presidency.

A L[re] in y[e]. Packet for Major Lawrence to be sent him with Extracts of the General Letter.

ORDERED that the Letter in the packet for Major Lawrence be forwarded to him this evening with Extracts of such part of the General Letter as relate to himself, the Military and Appointment of Council.

The Anson to be dispatch'd to Bengal. & the Norfolk to be kept here till the Colchester arrives.

AGREED that the Anson be dispatched for Bengal as soon as the Men are sufficiently refresh'd as the Gentlemen there are in want of a small ship for their early dispatch, and that the Norfolk be detained here untill the Arrival of the Colchester from Batavia.

Order sign'd to Captn. Veitch for the delivery of Treasure &c[a].

An Order is now sign'd to Captain Veitch for the delivery of the Treasure, wares, stores and Military consign'd to this presidency.

THO[S]. SAUNDERS.
CHA[S]. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A[R]. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH[S]. BOURCHIER.

29[TH]. Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S[t]. David dated this day.
— D[o]. D[o]. DeveCotah D[o].
— Recd. by Tappies D[o]. from D[o]. dated the 25[th]. Inst.
— Sailed Sloop Penlase, John Simpson for Anjengo.
30 Recd. by Pattamars General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 11[th]. Inst. from Ingeram 14[th]. Inst.
SEPTEMBER 1[ST]. Sailed Ketch Good Hope, formerly Bon Voyage, Nath[l]. Fletcher Bakewell for the Malabar Coast.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]: GOVERNOUR PRESID[T].
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXAND[R]. WYNCH. WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 2[D].

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Perceval takes [the] Oaths and his [seat] at the Board.

M[r]. William Perceval having been acquainted with the Honble Company's Appointment of him to one of this council now attends, and the Oaths of Fidelity Allegiance for a Justice of Peace being administered to him, he takes his seat at the Board.

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The Minutes of the two last Consultation dated the 26th. and 29th. Ulto. read and sign'd.

Mr. Boddam reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. **Hospital reported.**

General Letters read Vizt. **General Letters read.**

No. 157 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 25th. Ulto. acknowledging the Receipt of Ours of the 15th. and promising a punctual Observance of the directions acquainting us that he is advised the Enemy are gone towards Ruttimally with a design of retiring to that place That Mauphoos Cawn is encamped near Pallamcotah and the Enemy have strengthen'd their Post of Manor Coil. **from Deve Cota.**

No. 158 from the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam, dated the 11th. August, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letters of the 13th. and 27th. July and assuring [us] of their utmost care to mind their Investment, but they hitherto continue unsuccessfull and observe the Cloth is rather worse than before, the Troubles which obliges them to reject such Quantitys that they have no hopes of procuring more than two hundred Bales against the end of September That the Treasure ℔ York being landed she sailed the 4th. That Mr. Banks died the 10th. and Mr. Smith has taken Charge of the Paymasters Employ, enclosing Indent for stores. **Vizagapatam.**

No. 159 from Foss Westcott Esqr. Resident at Ingeram dated the 14th. August acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 13th. and 27th. July and assuring Us of his utmost Endeavours in the Management of the Investmt. that he has made no Advance as yet to the Merchant as he looks upon it to be very hazardous Mr. Bussie being arrived at Rajahmundrum and is collecting all the mo[ney] he can to satisfy Salabt Jung to effect which he lets no rich Merchant escape him. That he is inform'd Mr. Bussie expects the English Factorys should send their vackeels to him as to former Nabobs desiring Our Instruction on this head that our Observation on his having exceeded the limitted proportion of fine Goods must have arisen from a Mistake in his Letter, the quantity on hand being but little more than ⅓ which Our masters have now limitted to ¼ that he recd. the Account sortments and sends us the Books of that settlement and the Monthly papers. Cloth on hand 265 Bales. **from Ingeram.**

AGREED that Mr. Westcott be wrote to and directed not to acknowledge Mr. Bussie as Nabob of that Province nor send any Vackeel to him. **Mr. Westco not to acknowledg Monsr. de Bussie as Nabob.**

AGREED that pattamars be dispatched to Vizagapatam with Advice to Mr. Pigot of the Companys having appointed him Deputy Govr. of Fort St. David and to succeed to the Chair and directing him to take the first opportunity of coming hither. **Mr. Pigot to be acquainted of his promotion and ordered up.**

ORDERED that the Vizagapatam Indent be complied with. **Indent for Vizm. to be complyd with.**

The filling up the Vacancys at Vizagap[atam] occasion'd by the promotion of Mr. Pigot and the death of Mr. Banks being taken under consideration it is AGREED that Charles Boddam Esqr. succeed Mr. Pigot in the Chiefship, That Mr. John Lewen Smith be second in Council there and that Mr. Marmaduke Best supply the place of Mr. Smith as third in Council. **Mr. Boddam appd. Chief of Vizagaptm. Mr. John L. Smith 2 d Mr. Best 3d.**

ORDERED that Mr. Boddam proceed to Vizagapatam as soon as the Business of his present Employs can be adjusted and that Mr. Pigot be directed on quitting that settlement to deliver over the Charges thereof to Mr. John Lewen Smith as provisional Chief untill the arrival of Mr. Boddam. **Mr. Boddam orderd to proceed as soon as possible.**

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Employs in Councils settled.

The settling the Employs in council being then considered.

AGREED that in case Mr. Pigot should arrive here before, Mr. Boddams Departure, the Export Wareh°. be put under his Management.

Mr. Powney to continue his Employs.

THAT Mr. Henry Powney continue in his present Employs of Accountant Imp°. Wareh°.kr. and Sea Customer untill the arrival of Mr. Orme, who is then to take Charge of the two former, and Mr. Powney continue in the management of the latter.

Mr. Wynch Commissare & Storekr.

THAT Mr. Wynch hold his several Emp[loys] of Storekeeper and Commissary.

Mr. Perceval Land Customr.

THAT Mr. William Perceval be Land Customer, which Employ Mr. Smith now delivers over to him.

Mr. Smith Paymr. & Milit̃y. Paymr.

THAT Mr. John Smith have the Employ of Paymaster and Military Paymaster, the former of which Mr. Boddam now delivers over to him.

Mr. Bourchier Milit̃y storkr. & Ren̄. Gen̄. & Scavenger.

AND Mr. Charles Bourchier be the Military Storekeeper, Rental General and Scavenger.

Letter from Captain Polier in relation to Swiss Recruits and Deserters from the French.

Letter from Captain Polier read as enter'd hereafter, requesting that the Swiss Recruits arrived this Year may be incorporated in the three Companys of Shaub Gaupp and Polier and that the German and Swiss Deserters from the French may also be incorporated in those Companys, which will save the Company a considerable Expence in recruiting.

A copy to be sent to Major Lawrence.

AGREED that a Copy of the said Letter be sent to Major Lawrence for his opinion.

Captn̄. Burman requests to be reimburs'd what he paid for Deficiencys at the West Coast.

Granted.

Letter from Captain Edward Burman of the Honble Company's ship Prince George, read as entered hereafter representing that notwithstanding this Board was pleased to make an Order before his departure on his last Voyage that he should not be chargeable for such deficiencys as usually happen and are Allowed on Cargo's of Rice and Salt, yet the Supravizors and Council at Fort Marlbrō obliged him to pay ℔ 93 for a deficiency of one Garce 263 Mercalls of Salt and 5771 ℔ of Rice, which being less than the usual Deficiency, requests to be repaid the same, which the Board think reasonable and it is therefore so ORDERED accordingly.

Surgeon of the Norfolk petitions for head-Money;

Granted.

THE petition of Henry Harling Surgeon of the Norfolk read as entered hereafter, praying to be allowed the usual Gratuity for 60 Military Recruits landed here from that ship.

ORDERED that it be paid accordingly.

Estimate of Treasure for the Curr̃t. year delivered in.

THE Accountant lays before the Board as entered hereafter an Estimate of what Treasure will be wanted for the service of this Coast in the Current Year, and an Acco^{t}. of the supplys and Revenues to answer the same, which according to the said Estimate are upwards of half a Lack of Pagodas short of the sum wanted, but the Northern Investment being there calculated at a Lack and a half, which considering the Troubles in that province, there is very little probability of employing, the Board are therefore of opinion that one Lack will be a sufficient supply for the Northward in which case there will be no necessity to detain any of the Treasure consign'd to Bengal.

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AGREED therefore that the whole be forwarded thither.

All the Treasure consign'd to Bengal to be forwarded.

THE President lays before the Board a Letter from Mr. Brohier (which is read as entered hereafter) giving his opinion of the powder Mill at Egmore and Mr. Bishops Mill recommending the Building a drying Room for the Mill at Egmore and the erection of Mr. Bishops at St. David.

Letter from Mr. Brohier relating to the Powder Mill.

As it appears that John De Roos can make 500 lb of powder, with the Mill at Egmore, tis AGREED that he continue in the management of it and that a drying Room be erected there for drying the powder in Rainy Weather, That Mr. Bishops Mill be erected at this settlement, that in case of an accident to one of the Mills We may not be destitute of a Resource for supplying ourselves with powder and that it be referr'd to Mr. Brohier and Bishop to fix on a proper place for erecting the same and to report their opinions to the Board with an Estimate of the Charge.

John de Roos to manage that at Egmore a drying Room to be built there.

Mr. Biships Mill to be erected here & Mr. Brohier to fix on a spot and Report.

ORDERED that the Military Storekeeper purchase four more Bullocks for working the Mill at Egmore.

4 Oxen to be purchased for the Mill at Egmore.

ORDERED that the Companys Broad Cloth of last Years Importation be again put up at outcry on Tuesday next the 10th. Instant.

Broad Cloth to be put up at Outcry the 10th.

A Draught from the Accountant General by Order of the Mayors Court on the President and Council for Pags. 186. 9. 61 payable to Samuel Moses Account the Estate of Levy Moses decēd. being presented to the Board, paymr. thereof is refused, it being signify'd to the Board that an appeal is lodged from the Decree of the Mayors Court made in that Cause.

Draft from the Accountant Genl. refused.

The annual present of 1100 Pagodas to the King of Tanjour on Account of DeveCotah Settlement not having been satisfyd for five Years past amounting together to Pags. 5500 on Account whereof some Salt petre, Arms &ca. have been sent him at times ORDERED that the Account be stated, And there being several curious Joys and Jewells to be sold, which the Kings Vackeel hath intimated would be very acceptable to his Master on Account of the present they are now produced and purchased for the sum of three thousand seven hundred and thirty six Pagodas twenty five fanams.

Curiositys purchased for the King of Tanjore Account the DeveCotah annual present.

ORDERED that they be sent to the King of Tanjour on Account of the Annual Present due to him for DeveCotah.

A Dispute having long subsisted between the [1]Tangala and [2]Wadagala Bramineys at Triplicane in relation to the saying of certain prayers or Orations which tho' they do not in the least degree touch the fundament[al] principles of their Religion, yet the Controversy hath been carried on with the greatest Warmth especially upon the side of the Tengala Braminys, for the [putting an end to] which many of the principal Inhabitants have by the Request now read as entered hereafter, besought the Board that one of the Pagodas at Triplicane (there being two) may be assign'd to the use of the Tengala Bramineys and the other for the Wadagala Bramineys and that they be ordered not to interfere with or Molest each other in the performance of their respective Rites.

Dispute between the Tangala & Wadagala Bramineys.

The Board having considered the nature of the Controversy are of opinion that the means proposed by the said Request of determining it, are the most reasonable, the Dispute itself being very immaterial as it consists in nothing

Order thereon.

1 & 2. Two sects of Brahmans, *Love's Vestiges, Vol. III, page* 193.

more than this. The Tengala Bramineys maintain that Sarasayalasa was the Translator of the *Vedam from the Sancrit Language and therefore insist that he should be pray'd for as such, and the Wadagala Bramineys contend that Ramanuz was the true Translator and ought to be pray'd for, this Spark hath by a Zeal not uncommon in Eclesiastical Disputes been blown up into a flame which is now become necessary to quench, it is therefore AGREED that the said Request be granted in all it's particulars, and that the order of this Board for that purpose be signify'd to the contending Bramineys and publish'd by Beat of Tom Tom.

Wages and Impress for the Prince George to be paid.

The account of Wages due to the Crew of the Prince George, and of four Months Impress to Ult°. December next being laid before the Board amounts. to seven thousand four hundred and eighty Rupees the said sum is now advanced the Storekr. to discharge the same.

Cash Accot. read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest fourteen thousand four hundred and eighty six Pagodas, fifteen fanams and fifty one Cash (14486. 15. 51) and three thousand (3000) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward.

Treasury Accounts read.

The Treasury Accounts for last Month are also read, the several Ballances having been compared and found right are, a quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of a Chest of Bullion, Five (5) Chests of Gold, one hundred and ninety one thousand nine hundred and seventy three Arcot Rupees, twelve annaes & nine pice (191973. 12. 9) Two hundred and eighty eight thousand three hundred and twenty (288320) Madrass Rupees sixty nine thousand (69000) Current Pagodas and twelve thousand five hundred and six Madras Pagodas, twenty one fanams and thirty five Cash (12506. 21. 35) which are carried forward.

Mr. Dawson Drake appointed Upper Searcher of the Sea Gate.

The Place of Upper Searcher of the Sea Gate being vacant by admission of Mr. William Perceval into Council ORDERED that Mr. Dawsonne Drake take charge thereof.

Money paid in by the Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Gold from Europe & Rupees sold.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in seven thousand (7000) Pagodas on Account of Gold from Europe, He also pays in for Rupees sold six thousand six hundred and forty three Pagodas eight fanams and sixty Cash (6643. 8. 60).

Advances out of Cash to the Storekeeper. & Commissary.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To Alexander Wynch Storekeeper two thousand and twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty Cash (2021. 22. 30) to pay Impress and Wages for ship Prince George.

To Alexander Wynch Commissary seven thousand six hundred and twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty Cash (7621. 22. 30) to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad, As also ten thousand (10000) Pagodas, for a remittance to Camp.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

* Tamil word for Vedas, the Sacred Books of the Brahmans, *Hobson Jobson page* 961.

Dr.	The Honble United Companys Cash.				Pr. Contra.				Cr.
1.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	Pags.	20697	15 33	1. By Charles Boddam Paymaster, advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ ...	Pags.	3000	— —
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. recd. of him for Rupees sold to compleat the Advances ordered at the last Consultation		270	9 58	— By Charles Boddam, Export Warehousekr. advanc'd him for the purchase of Paddy		4000	— —
5th.	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd. of him for Rupees sold to answer the Advances made in Consultation this day		7202	25 24	— By John Smith Milĩty Paymaster, advanc'd him to pay the Military ...		5351	12 52
—.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd. of him on his running Accot.		1100	— —	6th. By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him for a Remittance to Camp as ℔ Extra Occurrences 5th. Instant		5000	— —
12th.	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd. of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold recd. from Europe.		5000	— —	8th. By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him for a further Remittance to Camp as ℔ Ex Occurrences 5th. Instant		5000	— —
19.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer, recd. of him on his running Accot.		1100	— —	— By Alexander Wynch, Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad as ℔ Consultations 5th. Instt.		2702	25 24
—	To Do. Imporat Wareho.kr. recd. of him for Rupees sold		7720	9 58	12th. By Alexander Wynch, Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad		2500	— —
26.	To Do. Sea Customer do. on his running Accot.		2000	— —	19. By Alexander Wynch Storekeeper advanc'd him to pay for Materials purchas'd by the Committee for Conducting the Works		1000	— —
—	To Do. Import Wareho.kr. recd. of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold recd. from Europe		5000	— —	— By Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper, advanc'd him to pay for Salt Petre purchas'd		7720	9 58
—	To Henry Powney, Import Warehousekr. recd. of him for Rups. sold		540	19 36	22nd. By Fort Marlbro, paid the Amount of a Certificate granted by the SupraVizors and Council there for ℔ 200 paid into by Hodjee Hamud payable to William Burton as ℔ their Letter of the 12th. Febry. and Order of Consult. 12th. Instt.			
—	To John Smith Land Customer, recd. of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month		568	27 26				
—	To Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court recd. of the Regr. of the said Court Account the salvage of Ship Arcot		382	— —	26th. By Charles Bourchier Military Storekr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ		1700	— —
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistna and Permal Kellava Chitty Beetle and Tobacco Farmers recd. of them one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 1st. July last		666	24 —	31st. By Ballance carried to next Months Accot.		14486	15 51
	Carried over ...		52248	22 75	Carried over ...		52581	34 75

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

Dr.					Cr.			
	Brought forward ...	52248	22	75	Brought forward ...	52581	34	75
	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence, recd. of them for one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 1st. July last	333	12	—				
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGS. ...	52581	34	75	STAR OR CURRT. PAGS. ...	52581	34	75

PR. CONTRA—*cont.*

MADRAS PAGODAS.

Dr.					Cr.			
1.	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account.	3000	—	—	30. By Ballance carried to next Month's Account.	3000	—	—

℔ CONTRA.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

TREASURY ACCOUNTS—FORT ST. GEORGE 1754.

SILVER.

Dr.			Chests.	℔.	oz.	dwts.	Cr.	Chests.	℔.	oz.	dwts.
August.							August.				
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.		20¼	5895	—	10	20th. By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Mastr.	53	15405	4	—
19.	To Bengatl Presidency, recd ℔ Norfolk.		53	15405	4	—	21. By Bengal Presidency sent ℔ Denham.	20	5813	4	—
29.	To Ditto	Anson.	15	4360	—	—	30th. By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	15	4360	—	—
								88	25578	8	—
							By Ballance	¼	81	8	10
	Chests ...		88¼ ℔	25660	4	10	Chests ...	88¼ ℔	25660	4	10

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

Treasury Accounts—Fort St. George 1754.

Gold.

Dr.		Chests.	oz.	pw.	gr.
August.					
19th.	To account Current London recd. ℔ Norfolk	2	6750	—	—
29.	To Ditto do. ℔ Anson	5	16242	5	8
	Chests	7	22992	5	8

Cr.		Chests.	oz.	pw.	gr.
August.					
20th.	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	1	3000	—	—
30.	By Ditto	1	3750	—	—
		2	6750	—	—
	By Ballance	5	16242	5	8
	Chests	7	22992	5	8

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Arcot Rupees.

Dr.		as.	pice
August.			
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month ...	30773	12	9
15.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. recd. of him ...	400000	—	—
		430773	12	9

Cr.				
August.				
1st.	By Import Warehousekeeper delivered him for sale ...	1000	—	—
6.	By Ditto do. ...	19575	—	—
7.	By Ditto do. ...	7660	—	—
19.	By Ditto do. ...	28565	—	—
21st	By Bengal Presidency, sent ℔ Denham ...	80000	—	—
—	By Fort St. David on accot. Bill of Exchange ...	10000	—	—
26th.	By Import Warehousekr. delivered him for sale.	2000	—	—
		238800	—	—
31.	By Ballance ...	191973	12	9
		430773	12	9

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George.

Madrass Rupees.

Dr.:					Cr.			
August.					August.			
1.	To Ballance brought from last Month	168320	—	—	21st.	By Bengall Presidency sent ℔ Denham ..	240000	— —
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master ..	320000	—	—	31.	By Ballance	288320	— —
15.	To Ditto	40000	—	—				
		528320	—	—			528320	— —

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Current Pagodas.

Dr.					Cr.			
August.					August.			
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account.	18000	—	—	12th.	By the Honble Companys Cash paid him...	5000	— —
6.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	8000	—	—	26th.	By Ditto do.	5000	— —
9th.	To Ditto ... ... do.	5000	—	—			10000	— —
13.	To Ditto ... ... do.	5000	—	—		By Ballance	69000	— —
—	To Import Warehousekr. recd. of him ...	8000	—	—				
17th.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	10000	—	—				
21st.	To Ditto ... ... do.	5000	—	—				
26th.	To Ditto ... ... do.	12000	—	—				
28.	To Import Warehousekeeper, recd. of him ...	8000	—	—				
		79000	—	—			79000	— —

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Madras Pagodas.

Dr.

						Cr.				
August.						August.				
13.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master	...	3506	21	35	31st. By Ballance	...	...	12506	21 35
29.	To Ditto	...	3000	—	—					
31.	To Ditto	...	6000	—	—					
			12506	21	35				12506	21 35

Errors Excepted.

Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having recd by the Anson a Letter from Sr. Luke Schaub, dated 11th. Febry, wherein he tells me that a[ll] the Swiss Recruits come out this Year or to come is for to [be] incorporated in the three Companys on this Coast (namely) Schaub, Gaupp and Polier.

Be pleased Honble Sirs, that in regard to the said Letter I had the Honour of shewing Govr. Saunders emboldens me to hope you will order the said Recruits that is arrived, or those that may arrive might be shared equally, in the three abovemention'd Companys.

Permit me likewise Honble Sirs to take the Liberty to represent not only for me but likewise for the good of the Swiss Captains, that as there will be a very little number of Recruits come out, in comparison to the great losses we have sustained in the last Campaign makes us hope that the Swiss and Germans Deserters from the French at Camp or other Settlement belonging to the Honble Companys might with their Consent be incorporated and equally divided in the four Swiss Companys at present on this coast which will keep them equal in force.

The Swiss Captains think themselves the more founded to ask that favour, as it will be the means to uphold their force, and turn the more to the Advantage of the Honble Companys service who did engage themselves to make Recruits for the Swiss Companys as for the English, and that attended with great Labour and Expence considering the distance from Swisserland to England, so that by the abovemention'd means the Swiss Companys can be compleated, by the Swiss and German deserters which will ease the Companys in sending so many out attended with vast Cost.

And another advantage will accrue from it, is, that the Swiss and Germans hearing they will be incorporated in the Troops of their Nation, where they will meet with good Encouragement and pay, wont fail of quitting the French service to come in that of the Honourable Companys, which will enfeeble the Enemys Army and reinforce Ours, which might cause the fall of the Swiss and Germans, raised in their service from Our Example, but have not considerably the same pay as Ours.

Having the Honour to remain with a most profound Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Hum. & Obed. Servt.

POLIER DE BOTTENS.

THE 1ST. SEPTEMBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

When I left this port last I was acquainted by your Honour &ca. Council, that I should on the delivery of my Cargo at Fort Marlbrō be allowed a reasonable Discount for the deficiency that must unavoidably happen on the Transporting of Grain and Salt from this port to that, but when I delivered the same at Fort Marlbro, the Supravizors, and Council obliged me to pay the whole Deficiencys without any Allowance for Waste amounting to Span. Dollars 93. 29 ca. being for I Garce 263 Mercalls of salt and 5771 ℔ of Rice, which

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I delivered short of what I sign'd Bills of Laden for and as this deficiency is less than what generally happens, I most humbly request your Honour &c^{a}. Councill will be pleased to order that money to be repaid me again.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Dutifull and most
Obedient Servant

EDWARD BURMAN.

FORT ST. GEORGE
SEPT^{R}. 2^{D}. 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR

Having gone to the Powder Mill yesterday, John de Roos the Overseer of it acquainted me he had refined a quantity of Salt Petre for some time past and had begun to make Powder the 24th. Instant, that he finds his Mortars will contain 40 lb. of Composition each, which is 640 ℔ ℔ day, but as some of the Pestalls may be often out of Order, and (till mended) the Mortars thereby stand still, besides waste about 5 ℔ Cent, He assures me he will deliver 500 ℔ weight ℔ day provided he has a drying Room built, as he cannot dry the powder, in the rainy weather, this drying Room will not amount to above 200 Pagodas and the Working part of the powder Mill will be compleat.

As to the Graining and Sifting Mills which M^{r}. Bishop, wants to have erected are entirely useless to John De Rose, they may be of use for the powder Mill proposed to be erected with Roling stones which are coming out by the Little Anson or the other shipping expected, and as those Graining and sifting Mills will cost 2/3ds' of the Charge at least of that whole Mill compleat, and that the Company have been at the Expence already of all the utensills for that Mill I humbly submit It to you, whether it would not be more eligible to erect the rolling Stone Mill at Fort S^{t}. David and thereby divide the Risque of their blowing up, [as] well as the quantity of Powder necessary for each Settlement and their respective Subordinacy's.

John De Rose tells me also that he [will] want four Bullocks more to replace any of those already broke to the Mill if any Accident should happen to them & the Mill should thereby stand still.

If the Rolling stone Mill with it's grain and shifting Mills are built at Fort S^{t}. David, there will be nothing to be added to the Mill now erected, but the drying Room, before mention'd, the Guard Room which is almost finished, the Cook Room and the necessary House and one side of the former Guard Room to be enclosed by a Wall, all which will not amount to 300 Pagodas, I am most respectfully

HONBLE SIR

Your most Obedient Hum. Serv^{t}.

J. BROHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
26TH. AUGST. 1754.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Henry Harling Surgeon of the Norfolk.

Sheweth

That 60 of the Honble Companys Military Recruits, whom your petitioner had the care in the passage from England, having been landed here from the Norfolk, your petitioner humbly prays your Honour &ca. will be pleased to order the payment of the usual Gratuity.

And your Petitioner shall ever pray &ca.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to an Order of Consultation I now lay before you a Calculate of what Treasure will be necessary to defray the Expence of the Year pay off the Bonds, and the Advances for the several Investments according to the nearest computation. The Bonds were inserted in the last Calculate, but as they were not all discharg'd they are now mention'd again.

Companys Bonds	100000
Fort St. George Investment	120000
Fort St. David Do.	80000
Northern Settlements	150000
Expences including the Comissarys Advances	700000
	1,150,000

The supplys recd from Europe and the Revenues that are to answer the above Disbursements are as follows.

Recd for the use of this presidency.

Gold £ 172054. 3. 1. @ 8sh. ℔ Pagoda	430135	13	70
Bullion 195676. 16. @ Do.	489192	—	—
Lead sold at Outcry	15497	10	64
Iron Do.	5864	34	16
Madeira Wine about	7600	—	—
Copper to be sold at Outcry, the prime cost is	46104	13	70
Revenues	100000	—	—
Pags. ...	1094394	—	60

The Broad Cloth is not inserted as there is not a probablity of a considerable quantity being sold at Outcry. His Majestys Ships and Troops being expected, and Our own Forces much encreased is the reason of a greater Allowance being made for the Expences than in the last Years Estimate, as it appears by the above Calculate that the Disbursements exceed the Supplys, your Honour &ca. will therefore be pleased to give such directions relating to the Treasure intended for Bengall as you may think necessy.

I am with due Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hble. Servt.

Henry Powney,
Accompt.

2d. September 1754.

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REQUEST of the Casts in relation to the Tengala & Wadagala Bramineys.

WHEREAS a dispute hath arisen and long subsisted between the Tengala and Wadagala Bramineys at Triplicane in relation to certain Prayers or orations called Sarasayalasa Dayapatrem, and Ramanuza Dayapatrem, the Tengala Bramineys insisting that the Sarasyalasa Dayapatrem &c^{a}. and the Ramanuza Dayapatrem &c^{a}. should be said by all Waishnaway Bramineys at the beginning and ending the Probandum and the Wadagala Bramineys, contending that they should not be restrained in this particular but be left at Liberty to repeat the Ramanuza Dayapatrem &c^{a}. publickly at the beginning and ending the Probandum. AND WHEREAS there are two principal Pagodas at Triplicane, the one called the Vencatty Kistnah Swamey, the Gate whereof fronts the East, and the other called Tellisinga Swamey, the Gate whereof fronts the West AND WHEREAS the Religious Rights and Ceremoneys and all publick Worship at the s^{d}. Pagodas hath been obstructed by reason of the said Dispute, which the Inhabitants in General are desirous should be terminated to the satisfaction of both parties, therefore We the heads and principal persons of the Right and Left hand Casts, do for Ourselves and on Behalf of the rest of the Inhabitants most humbly request the Honble President and Council will be pleased to put an End to the said disputes by Order^{s} that in future the Tengala Braminey's, shall be at Liberty to repeat the Sarazayalasa Dayapatrem &c^{a}. at the beginning and ending the probandum in the Pagoda called Vencaty Kistnah Swamey and in all the Chappells and places of worship belonging to the same and that the Wadagala Bramineys shall have the Liberty of repeating the Ramanuza Dayapatrem &c^{a}. at the beginning and ending the probandum in the Pagoda called Tellisinga Swamey and in all the places of Worship belonging to the same and that neither of the said Bramineys shall on any Account interfere with or Molest or disturb each other in the performance of their respective Rights in the said Pagodas. Chappells and places of worship in manner aforesaid.

SIGN'D by the Left hand Casts.	SIGN'D by the Right hand Casts.
TELLISINGA CHITTEE.	NAIROO VERANAH.
SHROFF LINGA CHITTEE.	PITLOOR VENCATY KISTNA.
TAGAPAH CHITTEE.	SUDDU CUMBATT CHINATOMBY.
TRIMUNGALUM SERVANAH CHITTEE.	MOCHURLACK RUDRUPAH.
TELLISINGA.	KISTNAMA CHITTEE.
TOMBAH CHITTEE.	TIRMUNUM CHENGELRAYA.
EYEPAH CHITTEE.	VUDDUNDY.
CHITTARIAPAH NAIK.	UMURUMBATT TERVANGDAM.
TAGAPAH, head Carpenter.	TIRNUMYOOR VENCATACHILLM.
KELLUVY CHITTEE.	CURPUNUM.
POLLUM CHEVY CHITTEE.	MUNNIVACUM LINGAPA.
UMURUMBATT SADASIVUN.	BOODOOR YERSUPAH.
	Paurivacum Mooryapah.

BANKSALL YACOMBURE MODELIARS SUN-IN-LAW SUDASIVUN SUNCO PEDDY VENKATRAMANAH, GANDUVADDY VENCATRAMANA, VALUMOORY VENCATRAGUNNAH, SULUDO BOWLY CHITTEE, MOOLINGY RAMUNAPAH CHITTEE, KOATIE NAGUNNAH, MOOGUPURUM VENCATALINGUM, KOANDY CHITTEE.

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2D. Sent by Pattamars General Letter to Vizagapatam dated this day.

3D. Recd. by Pattamars General Letters from Bandarmalanka dated 23d. Ultº.

4TH. Arrived the Honble Compy's Sloop Dragon Villabou Syrang from Fort St. David with a General Letter from the Gentlemen there dated the 2d. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THURSDAY THE 5TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH. WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

General Letters read Vizt.

General Letters read from Bandarmalanka.

Nº. 160 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 23d. Ultimo acknowledging the receipt of Our Letters of the 14th. and 27th. July and giving us the strongest Assurances of his best Endeavours to forward Our Honble Masters Interest by as punctual an Observance of their and Our Injunctions as possible though he observes unless the other Factorys do the same it will be to little purpose. That he has received the supply of Cash sent him ℔ York and hopes to invest that and what further sum may be intended him to Our satisfaction, with this he sends one sett of his Books.

From Fort St. David.

Nº. 161 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 2d. Instant, advising that the Honble Company's Ship Brittannia arrived there the 1st. Instant with a detachment of his Majestys Forces and that they shall not detain her any longer than till the Deputy Govr. comes to a Resolution in regard to the Men; that they have recd Our Letter of the 29th. and will reply fully in a few days, that they dispatch the Dragon Sloop to Us with their foul sorting Book and Forty Lascars which went to Tritchinopoly with Captain Forbes and Campbell, enclosing Copy of a Letter to them from the Court of Directors, being only to direct that Colonel Aldercron on his Landing is to be saluted with 13 Guns.

Dragon sloop to be dispatchd to Vizagapatm stores to be put on board.

ORDERED that such of the Stores indented for from Vizagapatam as can be got ready in a day or two be laden on the Dragon sloop and that she be dispatch'd with Duplicate of Our Advices of the 2d. Instant.

Men and Stores to be landed at St. David. from the Brittannia.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to land the Men and Stores there from the Brittannia and if the Kings Forces have no Tents to provide some immediately.

Paymr. to provide Furniture for the Confiscated Houses.

Mr. Chas. Turner to supply the admls. Table.

ORDERED that the Paymaster provide furniture such as Tables, Chairs, Cotts and other necessarys for the Confiscated Houses, for the reception and use of his Majestys Officers on their arrival that Mr. Charles Turner Regr. of the Sea Gate take an account thereof and that he take the charge of supplying the Table for the Admiral or Commr. in Chief.

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THE Brittannia being arrived and the rest shortly expected, as they may be employ'd for the purposes of the Fleet as occasion may require, the detention of the Prince George on that Account becomes unnecessary AGREED therefore that she be got ready and that such part of the Wares and Stores indented for as can be provided be laden on her as soon as possible that she may be dispatched.

The Prince George to be dispatch'd to the West Coast.

The Conduct of Messrs. Walsh and Pybus as SupraVizors of the West Coast, being very satisfactory and Mr. Walsh being on his Return AGREED that Mr. John Pybus be recommended to Our Honble Masters as a very proper Person to be Deputy Govr. of the West Coast.

Mr. Pybus to be recommended home for Deputy Govr. of the West Coast

Mr. Walsh being shortly expected here, the Board think it necessary his place should be supplied by somebody from hence, that in Case of the Death of Mr. Pybus the Regulations and plan the Supravizors have establish'd may be carried into Execution under the Eye and immediate direction of a Supravizor, AND the Board being of opinion that Mr. Dawson Drake is a proper person, he is accordingly appointed a joint Supravizor with Mr. Pybus and the Secretary is ORDERED to give him Notice to prepare himself for his Passage on the Prince George.

Mr. Walsh being expected here, Mr. Dawsonne Dra to be appointed SupraVizor of the West Coast.

The foul sorting Book sent up from Fort St. David being examin'd it does appear that a good Quantity of Cloth was sorted on taking it in in the Months of Janry and February, but it does not appear that it was sorted on embaling nor does it account for the badness of the Cloth as stated in Our Letters to St. David dated 14th. and 29th. August.

St. David foul sorting Book examin'd. Observation thereon.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that the abovemention'd Cloth from Fort St. David having been wash'd on Examination does not turn out all to the Number it was sorted to at Fort St. David when Brown ORDERED that it be resorted to the proper numbers.

St. David cloth to be resorted.

THE Military Storekeeper acquaints the Board that Captain Veitch has delivered four Barrells of Gunpowder short of his Consignment, which he delivered to Captain Henry Kent of the Company's ship Dragon at Madagascar to purchase Provisions whose receipt for the same he has produced.

4 Barrells of Gunpowder short ℔ Anson which were dd to Captn. Kent of the Dragon at Madagascar.

ORDERED that Account Current London be Debted for the four Barrells.

to be wrote off to Account Current London.

Mr. Alexander Wynch pays in by Order of George Gardner two hundred and seventy six Pagodas, thirty three fanams and five Cash Account the Estate of Captain Peter Love deceas'd.

Mr. Wynch pays in Money Accot. the Estate of Peter Love deceas'd.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
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6th Arrived Sloop Croundersworth, John Worth from Pulliacat.

7 Sailed Ship Elaheebux ChaundooCawn, for Tenasseree.

— Do. Sloop Croundersworth, John Worth for Pulliacat.

— Recd. by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 3d. September 1754.

8TH. Sailed the Honble Company's Sloop Dragon, Vellabou Syrang for Vizagapatam with General Letters to the Gentlemen at that Settlement, Ingeram and Madapollam dated the 6th. Instant.

Sailed snow Carolina, Robert Holford for Pulliacat and Tavay.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

MONDAY THE 9TH.

CHARLES BODDAM.	HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH.	WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.	CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated the 2d. and 5th. Instant read and sign'd.

Hospital reported. Mr. Henry Powney reports that he had visited the Hospital and some Complaints having been made to him by the patients he had represented the same to the Surgeons and given Orders to remove the Cause.

General Letter from DeveCotah read. No. 162 General Letter from Mr. Chas. Hopkins at DeveCotah, dated the 3d. Instant read acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 29th. and advising that two days before he had dispatched the Dragon Sloop to St. David, that the Books ending April 1753 are within a Trifle of Ballancing and those for 1754 should be immediately set about and brought up in time to go home by this Years shipping. That there is a great want of a Cooper at that Settlement, and as the Gentlemen at Fort St. David cannot spare either of theirs, for more than a few days at a time, which is not sufficient he requests that one may be fixed on the DeveCotah Establishment.

A Cooper to be sent from St. David to DeveCotah. AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to send a Cooper (if they can spare one) to DeveCotah to remain on that Establishment.

Letter from Mr. Smith on the subject of the 56 Paragraph of the Compays Letter 23d. Janry. 1754. Mr. John Smith acquaints the Board that agreeable to the Minute of Consultation the [20th. July] he had wrote to Major Lawrence on the subject of the 26th. Paragraph of the Honble Companys Letter dated [23rd.] Janry, and now lays before the Board his Justification of himself in regard to the Accusation of John Moore together with the Majors answer which is read as entered hereafter.

Mr. Cooke to be wrote to on the subject. ORDERED that a Copy of the Paragraph of the Letter from Major Lawrence quoted by Mr. Smith be sent to Mr. Cooke and his answer required thereto.

Mr. Drake declines the Supravizorship of the West Coast intending to return to Europe, Letter from Mr. Dawsonne Drake [read] as entered hereafter, representing that being advised by the Doctors to return to Europe for the recovery of his Health, he is resolved to do so and therefore desires to be excus'd accepting the office conferr'd on him of Supravizor of the West Coast.

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AGREED that the Secretary acquaint Mr. Drake that as he urges his intended return to Europe as the reason for declining the Supravizor ship, the Board suppose his stay in India will be but short and are thereupon come to a Resolution that in case he proposes taking his Passage by the January shipping at furthest, the Board consent to his continuing in the service till then, but if he should not intend returning at or before that time in such case the Board insist on his taking upon him the Charge of Supravizor and in default of his doing so that he be then dismiss'd the Honble Companys Service. Order thereon.

Petition of Mr. Wm. Mc.Redy Surgeon of the Anson read as entered hereafter praying the usual Gratuity for 34 Military Recrutis landed here from that Ship. ORDERED that it be paid. Petition from the surgeon of the Anson for head money. Granted.

AGREED that the Anson be dispatch'd this Week for Bengal, with the remainder of the Treasure consign'd from Europe on that account, and that the Commander be ordered to touch at Vizagapatam to land a Consignment of twenty five thousand Madrass Pagods. for the use of the three Northern settlements. The Anson to be dispatch'd to Bengal. & touch at Vizagapatm to deliver Treasure.

Two Drafts from the Accountant-General on the President and Council Account the Estate of Coja Mirzam deced being presented to the Board Vizt. Two Drafts from the Accot. General to be paid.

One for one hundred and thirty five Pagodas, thirty three fanms and forty Cash (135. 33. 40) payable to Moocartoon Mirza.

One for seventeen Pagodas, four fanams and forty Cash (17. 4. 40) payable to Shundra Shakeer Naigue.

ORDERED that they be paid.

The Import Warehousekr. lays before the Board as entered hereafter an account sale of 640 Candys of the Honble Companys Copper the third Instant amounting to fifty six thousand three hundred (56300) Pagodas which on an average is near eighty eight (88) Pagodas a Candy. Account sale of copper deliver'd in.

The Nabob having granted a Saned for the Killee and Jagueer of Poonemalee, which had been hereditary in the family of the late Killedar on Condition some proper Allowance shall be made them AGREED that one thousand Pagodas ℔ annum be allowed the widow of the late Killedar, payable at four Quarterly payments. 1000 Pags. ℔ Ann. settled on the Widow of the late Killedar of Poonemalee.

The Secretary representing to the Board that Mr. James Broadbent (one of the Assistants of that office) had been remiss in his Duty and refused to attend to Business when required, he was ordered before the Board & reprimanded by the President, when instead of acknowledging his fault his Behaviour was such as gave the Board but little reason to expect an Amendment, Wherefore it is AGREED that he be suspended from the Honble Compys Service, the Board being determin'd that every one who enjoys the Benefits of the Companys Service shall perform the part assign'd him in it. Mr. Broadbent suspended the service.

Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. pays in from the Treasury eight thousand (8000) Pagodas on accot. of Gold from Europe as also twenty two thousand five hundred and six Mss Pagodas, twenty one fanams and thirty five Cash (22506. 21. 35) He also pays in on account of Rupees sold three thousand two hundred and forty three Pagodas, eight fanams and sixty Cash (3243. 8. 60). Impo. Wareho. kr. pays in Money on Accot. Gold from Europe & for Rupees sold.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in on his Running account two thousand one hundred (2100) Pagodas. Sea Custr. pays in on his runng accot.

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Advances to the Steward.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Steward to provide necessarys for supplying the Admirals &ct. Tables one thousand (1000) Pagodas.

Commissary &

To the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad six thousand two hundred and forty three Pags. eight fanams and sixty Cash (6243. 8. 60).

Committee for conducts. the Works.

To the Committee for conducting the Works for providing Bricks &ca. one thousand (1000) Pagodas.

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HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS.

Mr. Secretary Dupré has informed me of your having appointed me again to the Supravizorship of the West Coast, I am truely sensible of this particular honour you confer upon me, but to my great Misfortune cannot have the pleasure to accept of it, being advised by the Doctors to go home for the recovery of my health, and it is well known to most in the place (and as I thought to all you Gentlemen) that I have taken a firm Resolution to return to Europe as soon as I can possibly settle my Affairs. I must therefore once again beg leave to refer the choice of some other Person to your Consideration, and am with much Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant
DAWSONNE DRAKE.

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. SEPTEMBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE Humble Petition of Willm. Mc. Redy Surgeon of the SHIP ANSON

SHEWETH

THAT your Petitioner having had the care of the Companys Military Recruits brought from Europe in the Ship Anson, he humbly prays to be allowed the usual Gratuity for thirty four Men landed here.

AND your petitioner shall ever PRAY &ca.

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ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HOÑBLE COMPANY'S COPPER BY PUBLIC OUTCRY upon the Following Conditions Vizt.

To be exposed to View at the GODOWN. 1ST.

The purchaser to be allowed twelve Months to clear any Lot thereof. 2D.

The Buyer on paying the Amount of his Lot shall have it delivered him & [none] whatever to be delivered till the money is actually paid. 3D.

An Allowance or Discount shall be made the Buyer of nine ℔ Cent if paid[in be]fore the expiration of six Months from the commencement of the sale & an Allowance in like manner shall be made of three ℔ Cent if paid in [after] six Months and before the expiration of Twelve Months from the commencement of the sale aforesaid. 4TH.

After the Expiration of twelve Months if any shall remain uncleared according to the Conditions aforesaid such shall be put up at publick Auction and sold for ready Money and if any Loss is occasion'd thereby, the prior Purchaser shall be obliged to make good the same. 5TH.

If any person shall fail to make payment within Twelve Months as aforesaid for any Lot bought by him, he shall not be permitted to be a Buyer at any future Sale untill he has made full Satisfaction for such his Non payment. 6TH.

ALL persons whatever without Distinction shall be free to purchase at the Companys Auction on the Terms abovewritten. 7TH.

The time of Sale.	Quality of the ye. Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
3d. September 1754.	Copper ..	5 candy.	Pags. 68 35 1	Pags. 79 8 —	Pags. 87 18 —	Pags. 437 18 —	Bollo Gruah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 — —	435 — —	Mootah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	86 27 —	433 27 —	Narrain Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	86 27 —	433 27 —	Iapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 — —	435 — —	Cungara Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 9 —	436 9 —	Narrain Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Bussopah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Cootal Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 27 —	438 27 —	Narrain Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Golah Singanah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Comrapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Bossapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 27 —	438 27 —	Narrain Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Arnachillum.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Narrain Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Naganah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.		Do.	87 18 —	437 18 —	Bossapah.
Do.	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Villidem Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Bob Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Tomboo Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Teetah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Linga Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Bossapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Mootah Comrapah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Linga Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Bossapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Carried over ...	170 candys.			Carried over ..	14,855 0 0	

Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea lot.	To whom sold.
Brought forward ..		170 Candys.			Brought forward ..	14855 0 0	
3d. September 1754.	Copper ..	5 Candys.	Pagods. 68 35 1	Pags. 79 18 —	87 9 —	436 9 —	Bossappah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Changara Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Gomorah Swamy.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Vencatasha.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Linga Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Bossapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 98 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Cundapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Tagapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Pundapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Comrapah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Mootah Comrapah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Succarah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Paupah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Suncarah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Paupah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Cullavah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Cullavah Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Arnagady Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Sheally Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Arnagady Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Vellapah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Ditto.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 13 40	436 31 40	Gallapah.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 13 40	436 31 40	Ramah Linga Chitty.
	Do. ..	5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Paupah Chitty.
Carried over ..		345 Candys.			Carried over ..	30127 18 0	

Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. lot. [Sic]	To whom sold.
Brought forward ..		345			Brought forward ..	30127 18 0	
3d. September 1754.	Copper ..	5 candys.	Pags. 67 8 [*Sic*] 77 18 — [*Sic*]		Pags. 87 18 —	Pags. 437 18 —	Rama Linga Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 13 40	436 31 40	Kistna.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Paupah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Gallapah.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Validem Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Polleney Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 13 40	436 31 40	Kistnah.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Suncarah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 22 40	438 4 40	Kistnah.
		5 Do.			87 9 —	436 9 —	Verapermal.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Bossapah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 18 —	437 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Cullavah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 27 —	438 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Do.			87 31 40	439 13 40	Bossapah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87 31 40	439 13 40	Ditto.
		5 Do.			88 13 40	441 31 40	Ditto.
		5 Do.			88 22 40	443 4 40	Ditto.
		5 Do.			89 — —	445 — —	Suncarah Chitty.
		5 Do.			89 — —	445 — —	Cheelumbrum Chitty.
		5 Do.			89 4 40	445 22 40	Bossapah Chitty.
		5 Do.			89 4 40	445 22 40	Ditto.
		5 Do.			89 4 40	445 22 40	Chellumbrum Chitty.
		5 Do.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Paupah Chitty.
Carried over ..		510 Candys			Carried over ..	44633 27 0	

Time of sale.	Quality of the goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. lot.	To whom sold.
Brought forward ..		510 Candys.			Brought forward	44,633 27 0	
3d. September 1754.	Copper.	Pagodas. 68 35 1		Pags. 79 18 —	89 18 —	447 18 —	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 Candy.					
		5 Dº.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Paupah Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Vera Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 22 40	448 4 40	Bossapah Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 22 40	448 4 40	Ditto.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Cautah permal.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Velidem Chitty.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Chellumbrum.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Paupah Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Vallashy.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Narrain Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Ramah Linga Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Mootah Comrapah.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Tondavah Chitty.
		5 Dº.			90 — —	450 — —	Narrain.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Pollany Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Arnagady Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Narrain.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Ditto.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Velidem Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Sheally Chitty.
		5 Dº.			89 27 —	448 27 —	Mootah Comrapah.
		5 Dº.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Narrain.
		5 Dº.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Ditto.
		5 Dº.			89 18 —	447 18 —	Ditto.
		640 Candy.			Pagodas ..	56300	

Fort St. George 3d. Septmber 1754.

Errors Excepted.

℔ Henry Powney.

Import Wareho.kr.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Honour &ca. Council having in Consultation of the 20th. July approved of my writing to Major Lawrence, in regard to an injurious insinuation, which I then and not till then learn'd had been levell'd at me by Mr. John Moore the Carpenter, I accordingly address'd the Major on that Subject and now beg leave to lay before you his Answer with what I have to offer in vindication of my Characters from that very unjust Aspersion, and I trust it will have the desired Effect as well with my Honble Masters [as] with your Honour &ca., That part of Major Lawrences Letter which relates to the point in Question is in these Words, which the Major says is the Substance of what John Moore declared to him, Vizt. "I carried in my Bill for payment, Messrs. Smith and Cooke were together (the amount of his Bill I think he said was between 8 or 900 Pagodas) on presenting my Account either Mr. Smith or Mr. Cooke, or both of them, said We will pay you the account, but cannot you increase the amount to 1500 Pagodas, upon enlarging the Articles upon which He (John Moore) said what Gentlemen, would you have me cheat the Company? I will do no such thing."

In answer whereto I must observe that sundry Bills during the time of my being Paymaster were presented to me by John Moore, which after being approved in Council were duely paid; That Mr. Cooke might have been in the Room at the tendering some of these Bills is a Circumstance not improbable from the intimacy between us, tho' at the same time it is what I cannot recollect, however as he is mention'd by Mr. Moore as a person concern'd with me, it may contribute something to my vindication would your Honour &ca. be pleased to cause a Copy of Mr. Moore's Assertion to be transmitted to him and require his Answer, when if there should be the least Room to doubt my Innocence, I must in that Case say, I am ready to affirm the Contrary upon Oath whenever required; Tho' I am inclined to hope, that if a thought be had to the Credit and probity of the two accused compared to the well known dissatisfied Mind of the Accuser, it would need little other Testimoney to prove the Assertion amounts to nothing more than the effect of a base and Malicious intention. A few things occur to my Reflection that will yet more clearly corroborate it, which I take leave to mention. That John Moore never taxed either Mr. Cooke or me with it himself is what I can averr, nor did he, as it appears, mention it to the Major till he was turn'd out of his post, and I beg leave further to remark that the said John Moore on his first coming to Madrass began to usurp most insufferable Prerogatives, such as distressing every Inhabitant by taking away the Labouring Carpenters, suffering no one to have any thing done but at his hands, and afterwards charging very exorbitant prices for it; All which, added to a most insolent Behaviour complained of by every one, it was found necessary to give him a Check & reduce his Authority, This was accordingly done in Consultation whilst Mr. Prince was Deputy Govr. as will appear by Our Address to the Presidency, in which myself with another of the Board were strong Advocates; How far that might have induced him to raise this falsity against me, I cannot tell, but, upon the beforemention'd Complaint against him. He went to several persons in Town and cried out agt. the Injustice done him, in saying he charg'd Materials at an exorbitant Price, when he had been oblig'd to pay for Iron &ca. out of the Company's Storehouse at a higher value than what was usual, and this he said he had notes to prove. That Gentleman abovemention'd more fortunate than myself, hearing of what John Moore had reported, desired that he might be called upon to explain himself, which he accordingly was, and still insisted on the Truth of What he had said, till upon a Calculation it was found he had accounted 100 lb. instead of 100 and 112 lb. to the hundred weight, he begg'd pardon for his Mistake and was excused that time with only a Reprimand to be more careful

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in future how he aspers'd a Gentlemans Character, from the above I take the Liberty to inferr, that when this Complaint came before Mr. Saunders he found it of the same validity and thought it not just to put one of the Council without reasonable grounds to answer publickly to an Accüsation from Mr. Moore the Carpenter, who had before been detected in publishing an untruth and that his Silence did not proceed from the intercession of the party Accused, as has been represented to our Honble Masters, by the Hint they gave us in their Genl. Letter, for I now declare that not one single person ever mention'd to me the least suitable of John Moore's Affair till that Paragraph in the General Letter was read, when the Govr. said it must be owing to the Report which he had heard as before mention'd. All which I beg leave to submit to the Consideration of the Board, but especially the Govr. who is best acquainted with this Affair, not doubting but their concurrent opinion will convince my Honble Masters that sometimes wicked Aspersions may be cast on their faithful Servants by designing Men, when they find themselves opposed in their dishonest Practices and hindered from getting a fortune by imposing on the Company and oppressing the Inhabitants, which was the Case of John Moore, who was so biass'd with the hopes of getting one soon, that having his priviledges as he called them, curtail'd, refused to stay in the Service when offered [*lacuna*] Pagodas ℔ Mo. a handsome Lodging and Pallankeen with some other Allowances.

Further I have not to offer, but to request you will be referr'd to what you may hear from Mr. Cooke after which I submit myself to your sentiments whether you think my Oath requisite or not I am with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant

John Smith.

Fort St. George
2d. Septembr. 1754.

Recd. by Tappies Letter from Mr. Starke at Fort St. David dated the 7th. Instant. — 10TH.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day. —

Do. Do. Letter from the Secrety. to Thos. Cooke Esqr. at Fort St. David. —

Recd. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 8th. Instant. — 11TH.

Do. Do. Do. 10th. Instant. — 12TH.

Arrived Sloop Elsey, Joseph Austin, from Bussorah last from Fort St. David, with three Packets from England forwarded from Fort St. David by Admiral Watson. —

Do. Ship Lisle, James Munro, from Mocha, Francis Muriel [Murice] Supra Cargo. —

Do. The Honble Companys, ship Brittannia, Nevell Norway from England and Cork, last from Fort St. David with a packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency and one from Henry Crabb Boulton Esqr. at Cork. —

Do. the Honble Companys Ship Warren, Alphonsus Glover, from England with a packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency. Alexander Heron Esqr. third of Council and Major of this Garrison and Robert Orme Esqr. seventh of Council Passengers. —

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At a Consultation.

Present.

Thursday The 12th.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Governour President.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexandr. Wynch. William Perceval.
Charles Bourchier.
Mr. Smith *Absent.*

Packets ℔ Brittannia & Warren open'd.

The Packets by the Brittannia and Warren being opened and Compared with the Lists are found to agree therewith and contain besides Duplicates of the Letters already recd. by the Coast and Bay Ships the followg. Vizt.

General Letter dated the 2d. March 1754.

Do. dated the same day, relating to Salutes for ye. Fleet.

Ditto dated the 13th. March directg. the Salute to Col. Aldercron.

Ditto dated the 15th. March.

Ditto dated 15th. March relating to the execution of the Act for punishing, Mutiny and desertion, with the several Papers relating to the same as ℔ List being a seperate Packet, included in the General one ℔ Warren.

General Letter in a separate Packet dated 3d. April 1754 ℔ Warren.

Letter from Henry Crabb Boulton Esqr. dated at Cork 25th. March 1754 ℔ Brittannia.

The Packets, recd. from Admiral Watson as mention'd in the Diary of this Consultation contain Duplicates of the General Letter dated the 2d. March.

The Board adjourn till tomorrow.

After reading the abovemention'd Dispatches it being late in the Evening the Board Agreed to meet again tomorrow morning at 10 o'Clock and the Secretary is Ordered to summon Alexr. Heron Esqr. and Robert Orme Esqr. to attend and take their Seats at the Board.

Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar. Wynch.
Willm. Perceval.
Chs. Bourchier.

At a Consultation.

Present.

Friday The 13th.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. President.

Alexandr. Heron. Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney. Robert Orme.
Alexandr. Wynch. William Perceval.
John Smith. Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Alexander Heron Esqr. takes his Seat as third in Council.

Alexr. Heron Esqr. takes his seat & Robert Orme Esqr.

Robert Orme Esqr. takes his Seat as Seventh of Council, and the Oaths to qualify him as a Justice of the Peace are now administred to him.

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Genl. Letter from Mr. Starke in relation to allowances to the Kings officers & Troops.

Nº. 163 General Letter from Richd. Starke Esqr. Deputy Govr. of Fort Stt. David, read enclosing one to him from Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw & another from Captain Lieut. Hislop, the first representing several Inconveniencys in the present Quarters and Regulations for his Majestys Troops desiring Mr. Starke will acquaint us of the same and submitting to us whether the same allowances may not be made to the several officers as they were indulg'd with in Mr. Boscawens time, and as to himself he hopes we will consider of proper Appointments for him suitable to his Rank, Captain Hislops Letter is also on the same subject with respect to the Artillery, on all which Mr. Starke desires Our directions and adds that for the present he has taken upon him to allow the Troops Meat and Drams with Rice, Firewood and Salt, he also acquaints Us that Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw objects to Mr. Kiernanders House at Cuddalore which he proposed to him for Coll. Aldercron and is desirous of having the Factory House. That the Money to defray the Expences of the Troops being all on board the Kent Lieut. Colonel Bagshaw desires the necessary sums may be advanc'd him out of the Companys Cash.

Resolution thereon.

Our Honble Masters Commands in regard to the Allowances to his Majestys Forces being again read and considered appear extreamly wide of Lieut. Colonel Bagshaws expectations, but as those Commands are possitive it is Agreed to make them the Rule of Our Conduct as strictly as the nature of the service will permit, some few particulars there are, which being absolutely necessary for the accommodation of the principal Officers it is imagind are omitted merely because they did not occur and are therefore now supplied as hereunder mention'd, but sundry directions having already been given to Mr. Starke for providing Accomodations for the Officers and Men which have been partly carried into Execution, as till Yesterday We have had no Instructions for our Guidance, it is Agreed that all such Expences as are already incurr'd be Charg'd to the Companys Account, that all such Orders as have already been given be now revoked and in lieu thereof that a Copy of the Companys General Letter dated the 2d. of March be sent to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort Stt. David for their Guidance, that they be directed strictly to conform thereto observing likewise the following Instructions Vizt.

Compys Genl. Letter dated 2nd March to be Our Guide.

Copy to be sent to St. David.

And some additionl. Allowance to be made the principl. Officers.

That as Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw Commands in Chief in the Absence of Coll. Aldercron he is to be allowed five Pagodas a day untill the Colonel arrives.

That admiral Watson and Commodore Peocock be allow'd Pallankeens.

That Coll. Aldercron, Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw and the Major be allowed Pallankeens and Horses when in the field but not in Garrison.

That the Chaplain to the Regiment be allowed eighteen pence ℔ day as an Addition to his pay.

That agreeable to Lieutenant Coll. Bagshaws Request the the [*sic*] Troops be victualled after the manner of the Companys Troops when in the field for at least fourteen days after their Arrival and to enable the soldiery afterwards to supply themselves the better that a plentiful Buzar be kept at Cuddalore under such Regulations as may prevent the enhancing the price of provisions.

That as good Quarters as are procurable be provided for the Officers and the Encroachments complained of by Colonel Bagshaw on those of the private Men be prevented and to that end that the Paymaster concert the proper means with the Commanding Officer.

That we cannot answer providing of Furniture and if We could We imagine it is not procurable, but We should be glad if any of the Companys can be spared that the principal Officers should not be left quite destitute.

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THAT besides the Salutes mention'd in our Honble Masters Commands the Captains of his Majestys Ships are to be saluted with eleven Guns and Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence with thirteen as Commander-in-Chief of all the Companys forces in India.

THAT Mr. Kiernanders House in Cuddalore be hired for the Accommodation of Colonel Aldercron.

The Steward to deliver in an account of what purchas'd for the Admi & Coll. Table. The same to be sold & the amot. paid into Cash with the Ballce, in the Stewards hands.

One thousand Pagodas having been advanc'd to Mr. Charles Turner to provide provisions Liquors and necessary Utensils for supplying Tables for the Admiral and Coll. Aldercron which the Companys directions now forbid it is ORDERED that Mr. Turner deliver in an Account of the several particulars already purchased, that they be sold at the Sea Gate at publick Outcry and the produce thereof with the Ballance of Cash remaining in Mr. Turners hands be paid back into the Honble Company's Cash.

The Commission granted to Major Lawrence for holding Courts Martial revok'd.

By the New Act for punishing Mutiny & Desertion in the East Indies recd. ℔ the Warren, the power of appointing Courts Martial being lodged in the Commander-in-Chief of his Majestys Forces for the time being which of Course annuls that granted in November last to Major Lawrence 'tis AGREED that it be recalled.

The Kings stores ℔ Warren to be transported on board the Britannia.

There being Sundry Naval and Military Stores on board the Warren for the Kings Ships and forces and as that Ship is to be dispatch'd round to Bombay AGREED that the said stores be transported on board the Britannia and forwarded to Fort St. David.

Kent, London & Britannia to be put up at the Sea Gate for freit.

IT being now too late in the Season to dispatch either of the Ships Kent, London and Brittannia to China agreeable to the Company's Orders, it is AGREED that Publick Notice be affixed at the Sea Gate that all persons who may be inclined to Freight all or either of the said Ships for any part of India may deliver in their Proposals to the President and Council on or before the 30th. day of September Instant and as an encouragement to those who may be inclin'd to Adventure Notice is further Ordered to be given that altho' the said Ships are let to the Company for no more than four hundred and ninety nine (499) Tons yet they are capable of carrying a greater Burthen and that the Freighters will be entitled to Ship as large a Quantity of Goods as the said Ships can safely Stow and carry except only fifteen Tons allowed the Commander and Officers as their Priviledge.

Bengal to be advised of Our having put up the said Ships & that if they should not let, We shall send them thither to be return'd in Janry with Rice unless they can employ yr. better.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Bengall be advised of Our having put up the said three Ships for freight and that in case neither of them should be let We can think of no better means to employ them than by sending them down to the Bay to be disposed of there or return'd to Us in January, with Cargó's of Rice submitting it to them either to provide such Cargos or omit it in case they can employ the Ships to greater Advantage.

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ORDERED that the Storekeeper demand of the respective Commanders the Orlops on board the Ships Kent, London and Brittannia and that the Milit~ Storekeeper also demand an Acco^{t}. of the Arms, Shot &c^{a}. (mention'd in the 35 para. of the Gen^{l}. Letter 2^{d}. March) which the said Command^{rs}. were permitted to take in Order to purchase provisions at Madagascar or to deliver them here at prime cost.

The Orlops & some Arms &c^{a}. p^{d} London Kent & Britannia to be demanded.

AGREED that Pattamars be dispatched to Bombay to advise the arrival of the Waren and that We shall dispatch her round as soon as her People are sufficiently refresh'd.

Pattamars to be dispatched to B~by.

AGREED that the Military Recruits by the Warren be landed here and incorporated with the Troops on this Establishment agreeable to our Hon^{ble} Masters permission and an Order is accordingly signed to Captain Glover to deliver them, as is also an Order to Captain Nevell Norway of the Britannia for the delivery of the Wares and Stores consign'd to this Presidency.

Recruits Warren to be landed order sign'd & one to Capt. Norway of the Britannia to deliver his consignments.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
ALEX^{R}. HERON.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
WILL^{M}. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

Arrived the Hon^{ble} Companys Ship Winchelsea, Christ^{r}. Baron from Bombay with a General Letter from the President and Council there dated 26th. August. — 14TH.

Recd. General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 10th. Instant. —

D^{o}. a Letter from M^{r}. Andrew Newton at Tanjour to the Secretary dated the 4th. Instant. —

Sign'd General Letters to Bengal, Vizagapatam, Ingeram and Bandarmalanka and Dispatches to Captn. Robert Veitch of the Anson all dated this day. —

Sent General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day. —

Sailed ship Rawysee Meerja Mahomud Ameen, for Tenasseree. —

This morning arrived the Hon^{ble} Companys Ship London Captain Richard Alwright, who declares that having fallen to Leward of Fort S^{t}. David where he was ordered to touch first, he was under a necessity of bearing away for this port. — 15TH.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESID^{T}.
ALEXANDER HERON. CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SUNDAY THE 15TH.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

THE packet from the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors for this Presidency by the London being opened and compared with the List is found to contain Duplicates of the Letters and sundry other Papers by the Britannia.

Packet from England p^{d} London opened.

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One from Henry Crabb Boulton Esqr.

A PACKET from Henry Crabb Boultan Esqr. is also recd. by the London containing Letter dated at Cork the 29th. March enclosing an Abstract of the Troops embark'd on the said Ship.

Treasure London to be landed and the the Ship dispatched to St. David to land the Troops and stores.

Iron to be landed there and the ship to be returnd with Bales.

AGREED that the Treasure on board the London be landed (and an order is sign'd accordingly) and the said ship be dispatch'd to Fort St. David to land the Kings Troops and Stores, that the Deputy Govr. and Council there be directed to land as much of the Iron on board that Ship as they may have an occasion for and then return her to Us with what Bales they may have in readiness.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
ALEXR. HERON.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
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AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
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15 Received by Tappies General Letter from Richard Starke Esqr. dated the 12th. Instant.

16th. Recd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 13th. Instant.

— Sailed the Honble Companys Ship Anson, Robert Veitch for Vizagapatam and Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDT:

MONDAY THE 16th.

ALEXANDER HERON.	CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.	ROBERT ORME.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.	WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.	CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Hospital reported.

THE Minutes of Consultations dated the 9th. 12th. 13th. and 15th. Instant read and sign'd.

Mr. Alexander Wynch reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just cause of Complaint.

General Letters Read.

General Letters read Vizt.

From Fort St. David.

No. 164, and No. 165 and No. 170 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of David the first dated the 8th. Instant accompanying their Consultations and Monthly Accounts for July and acquainting Us that their Committee had made a further enquiry in relation to Mr. St. Pauls Tents but had gain'd no further Information except that the Dubash who acted under Mr. St. Paul had been whipp'd out of the Bounds sometime before his Death. As to the Damag'd and torn Brown cloth they can give Us no further Information than we have already had, the Conicoplies offer to swear it was not chang'd after it was sorted, and they are of opinion it was owing to the Ordinary Vessells, on which the Bales were sent up, but if We should be of a different opinion they then think the guilt cannot be more justly fix'd than on the Merchants who brought in the Cloth. That finding their Merchants trifle and bring in but small quantitys of Cloth by way of Sample, they called them before the Board and after discoursing with them, they are convinc'd their delays are only to struggle for the

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Victory in obliging them to take Cloth of an inferior Sortment, which they say is full equal to what is provided here that the Merchants have promised to bring in a quantity for Sorting and if it should not prove Satisfactory they propose to send us Samples for our Sentiments thereon, in regard to the deficiencys ℔ Vernon, Bombay Castle, and Chesterfield they refer to the List thereof, which points out who were Under Wareh°. keeper at that time, requesting a supply of fanams and copper Cash. Enclosing an Account sale of Madeira Wine That the DeveCotah Bound Renters promise in a few days to produce the proofs of what they alledge in their petition. That they shall deliver the Dutch Long Boat when demanded and give Protection to all deserters. That the Hospital necessarys for Tritchinopoly shall be provided that the money has been advanc'd Ebrar Cawn who has given his note to be accountable in Case Mauphoos Cawn should not proceed to join the Nabob. That our directions shall be observed for supplying the Kings Troops with the Matts and Cotts for the Hospital. That they are apprehensive the disabled Lascars will hardly be prevailed on to accept a Gratuity instead of a pension as some of them may be incapable of getting their Living enclosing a Memorial of Lieutenant Davis in regard to a Ballance due to him for money disburs'd at Trividy for the Garrison, enclosing also two Petitions of Cootahs one as Arrack Farmer the other as Renter of the weighing and Measuring Duty, in regard to the first he mentions some disputes with his Copartner in that Cowle and desires Redress, as to the latter he alledges that he must be a considerable Loser as the Rent of that Cowle was settled at 400 Pagodas ℔ añn when Fort S^{t}. David was the Presidency, but that being now removed has greatly lessen'd the Importation of Grain, Cloth on hand 51 Bales. The next is dated the 10th. Instant and advises that his Majestys Stores being all landed from the Brittannia they dispatch her to Us, that Admiral Watson in His Majestys Ship Kent with the Salisbury arrived there that morning, that they send Us a Bale of each Sort of Cloth brought in by their Merchants as a Specimen and desire our Sentiments, whether considering the Circumstances of the times such a Sortment may be admitted representing that the Warehousekeeper is in distress for an Assistant and requesting to be supplied the last is dated the 13th. Instant and acknowledges an Omission in not immediately sending Us the Brittanias Packet, which they say they deferr'd, expecting to dispatch the ship as soon as the Troops were landed, but were oblig'd afterwards to land the Stores, desiring we will comply with an Indent for Timber and Plank sent us sometime ago.

From Bombay.

N°. 166 from the President and Council of Bombay dated 26th. August acknowledging the receipt of our Letters of the 16th. March and 14th. June, enclosing Invoice of Arms and Accoutrements supplied the several detachments sent round hither also an account of Pay and Provisions furnish'd them, for both which they have debted this Presidency, acquainting Us that having in one of the above mention'd Letters from Us received a protested Bill they sent for the person who procured it in Order to recover the Amount but he produced the original Bill regularly endors'd as being paid, which they are at a loss how to account for, enclosing an Account Cost of the Slaves delivered by Captain Cleugh of the Swallow, to the Commander of the Dragon at Madagascar. That S^{r}. James Foules Bar^{t}. Major of Bombay having been inform'd of the death of Lieu^{t}. Colonel Scott made a voluntary tender of his service which they approved of judging that We might have occasion for a field Officer: and therefore they have ordered the Winchelsea to touch here to give him a passage, that Captain Baron having supplied them with four Puncheons of Beef for the use of their Cruizers, which they are unable to return they request We will do it, as well as to satisfy him for the diet two Europeans who attend S^{r}. James Foules, That they send us by Captain Baron a silver Mace for the use of our Mayors Court.

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From Deve Cotah

N°. 167 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 10th. September advising that he has laden and consign'd to Us on the St. John Baptista a Bale of Musters of Chially Cloth and if we approve of them the Merchants promise to provide five hundred Corge the first year and as much more the succeeding Years as he shall be advanc'd Money for.

From Mr. Newton at Tanjour.

N°. 168 from Mr. Andrew Newton at Tanjour in relation to the St. David torn and damag'd Cloth on which Subject the Secretary wrote to him for Information advising that the Cloth was sorted as usual when taken in but as it was sent away Brown Mr. Starke ordered it to be embaled without sorting into Numbers and be all placed to N°. 2 that his great hurry at that time in writing Bale and Ship Notes prevented his inspecting so closely as was necessary at the embaling, but he is of opinion that the fraud must have been committed with the privity of the Conicoplies.

From Mr. Starke at Fort St. David.

N°. 169 from the Deputy Govr. of Fort St. David advising that the Kings Troops are provided with Tents which are on board the Warren, that in consequence of Our Letter which he has communicated to Lieut. Coll. Bagshaw, he has given Orders for preparing every thing to take the field, that he will endeavour to provide the pallankeens and Horses we allow the field Officers, but apprehends some difficulty in procuring them that the Number of Kings Troops landed from his Majestys ships & Britannia are 419.

St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED to write to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David that in regard to Mr. St. Paul's Tents they must call for the Vouchers for the several Articles and from them state to Us the particulars of the Charges with their opinion therein, that as to the torn and damag'd Cloth, We have already given Our Sentiments fully and only add that it is improbable the Cloth could be torn after it was embaled and it would be unreasonable to make the Merchants answerable after the Cloth had passed the usual Examination, that the Company must be indemnified, and as they can give Us no further Information We guide Ourselves by a Standing Order which directs that the Chief of every Employ shall be answerable for all his Servants, and therefore the Export Warehousekeeper must pay to the Company the full Amount of all the Torn and damag'd Cloth which shall then be delivered here to his Attorneys and if the real Author of the Fraud should be discovered hereafter he shall be made Accountable. That We cannot supply them either with fanams or Copper Cash, but as soon as the Mint is disengag'd, We shall coin a quantity of the latter and send them a proportion, That they may protect all Deserters, except the Danes with whom We have agreed to return all Deserters on Condition of Pardon That they may grant Pensions to such Lascars as are really incapable of getting their Bread and Gratuitys to the rest. That the Ballance of Lieut. Davis's Account must be paid him if on comparing it with the Original Rolls it appear just, that they must also enquire of Lieut. Davis whether he can give any Information, in relation to a Sum of money which was found amongst Captain Chases Effects after his death at Pondichery, which it was apprehended was part of a Ballance of Money belonging to the Company which was in his hands at Trividy, that in regard to Cootahs Representations, touching the weighing and Measuring Farm we think there are Grounds for an Abatement, as the Importation of Grain by the removal of the presidency is certainly decreas'd and therefore We consent to an Abatement of one hundred Pagodas a Year from the Commencement of the cowle as to the Account of Debts he annexes to his petition, he must mention the particulars & the time, that his Disputes with his Copartner in the arrack Farm being of a private Nature and regarding matter of property, We cannot take upon Us to decide it, but those who took the Cowle of the Company must pay the Rent That altho We have directed them to shew all manner of Civilities to the Kings officers, they are not to have any Command in the Company's Settlements, but are to be considered merely as Troops in Quarters.

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ORDERED that the Cloth recd from St. David Britannia be sorted and reported to the Board at the next Consultation.

Cloth from St. David ℔ Britannia to be sorted & reported next Consult.

ORDERED that the Export Wareho.kr. examine and report who had the Charge of the Export Warehouse at St. David at the time when the Bales in which there are deficiencys ℔ Vernon Bombay Castle and Chesterfield were packed.

ORDERED that the Secretary write in the name of the Board to Sr. James Foules, that We have a perfect Sense of his good Intentions for the publick service in making a Voluntary offer to the President and Council of Bombay of coming to Our Assistance as soon as the news reach'd him of Lieutenant Coll. Scotts death and Lieut. Coll. Lawrences Indisposition for which mark of his readiness to serve the Company we return him Our thanks and would willingly accept of his service if the same Cause which induced him to offer it still subsisted, but an ample provision is now made for the Chief Command of the Forces on this Coast by the arrival of his Majestys Officers and Lieutenant Coll. Heron.

Secretary to write to Sr. James Foules and return him the Boards thanks for his intended services.

ORDERED that the Storekeeper purchase out of the Europe ships four Puncheons of Beef to be delivered to Captain Baron agreeable to what the Gentleman at Bombay write us, and that Bombay presidency be debted for the same, and Credited for the Amount of the Arms, pay, provisions &ca. supplied the Detachment sent round to Us.

4 Puncheons of Beef to be purchas'd & return'd to Capt. Baron.

Letter from Mr. Dawsonne Drake read as entered hereafter acquainting Us that in Complyance with Our Resolution signify'd to him by the Secretary he will endeavour to get his Affairs settled so as to return to Europe by the January shipping.

Mr. Dawsonne Drake proposes to return to Europe in Janry.

ORDERED that the Secretary signify to Mr. Drake that We look upon his Answer as indeterminate and that Our Ultimate Resolution is that he either accept the Supravizorship or return to Europe in Janry and in default of either that he be suspended from the Honble Company's service.

Ordered that he accept the Supravisorship, return to Europe or be suspended.

Petition of the Surgeon of the Britannia read as entered hereafter, praying the usual Gratuity for his Care of the Kings Troops brought from England in the Britannia he having supplied them with Medecines at his own Expence by the direction of Captain Norway who acquainted him he was Authorised thereto by the Court of Directors.

Surgeon of the Britainnia petitions for Head money on the Kings troops.

AGREED that it be referr'd home to Our Honble Masters, they having given Us no directions on this Head.

Referr'd Home.

Letter from Mr. James Broadbent read as entered hereafter acknowledging his Misbehaviour & praying to be restored to the Honble Company's Service promising that his future Behaviour shall give no Cause of Complaint, on which consideration the Board consent to readmit him to his Standing and he being thereupon called before the Board is acquainted by the president with this Indulgence and admonish'd to apply himself assiduously to Business as the only means of using to preferment.

Letter from Mr. Broadbent, praying to be readmitted. Granted.

ORDERED that Mr. James Broadbent and Mr. Robert Douset sometime ago appointed to the Fort St. David Station proceed thither on the Brittannia.

Mr. Broadbent, & Dowset to proceed to St. David ℔ Britannia.

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Accot. sale of Broad Cloth deliver'd in.

THE Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an Account sale of one hundred Bales Broad Cloth and fifty pieces of * shauls sold at Outcry the 10th. Instant amounting to twelve thousand and ninety seven (12097) Pagodas, ORDERED that it be entered hereafter.

3 Draughts from the Accountant General.

Three Draughts from the Accountant Genl. Account SUNDRY PERSONS unknown, being presented to the Board Vizt.

One for Ninety six Pagodas, twelve fanams and six Cash payable to John Smith Esqr. Attorney for Richard Esqr.	96.	12.	6
One for one hundred and forty nine Pagodas payable to Mr. Andrew Munro.	149.	—	—
One for twenty nine Pagodas, twenty three fanams and twenty two Cash, payable to Mrs. Ann Walton ...	29.	23.	22

Ordered to be paid.

ORDER'D that the said Draughts be paid accordingly.

Mr. Vansittart appointed as a secty to the Secret Committee.

Mr. Henry Vansittart being appointed Secretary to the Committee for transacting Affairs with the Country Government AGREED that Messrs. John Davidson, Samuel Johnson and William Aldersey be his Assistants.

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TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received Mr. Secrety Dupre's Letter containing your late Resolution concerning one, in complyance to which will do my Endeavours to get my Affairs settled so as to return to Europe by the January Shipping.

I am with all respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum. Servant
DAWSONNE DRAKE.

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16TH. SEPTEMBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

My late Misfortune of being suspended from the Honble Companys service has made me very uneasy which makes me trouble your Honour &ca. to ask pardon of the Honble Board for my late Conduct and if your Honours wil be so good as to forgive it, I assure you for the future I will give no reason for Complaint.

* The old shawl was from 6 to 8 feet long, by about half that breadth, and it was mostly commonly white. *Hobson Jobson, page* 824.

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I cant account for my answer to Mr. Dupre's Letter except my being sent to Fort St. David was the reason, for I never thought I could be sent from this place till I look'd upon my Covenants, but now I see into my Error and ask Mr. Dupre's pardon.

My Answer to your Honr. &ca. was less excuseable but I hope your Honour &ca. will forgive it as I did not mean any such thing as you imagine, the reason of my saying I should like to be sent home was that I should be glad to be sent in the first Ship for England as the Country does not agree with me & I have friends in England who would be glad to receive me, therefore I flatter myself I may hope for your Honour &ca's. pardon and be recd into the Honble Company's service again & hope by my future Conduct your Honour &ca. will have no reason to repent of your Goodness to

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obliged Hum Servant
James Broadbent.

Fort St. George
Sepr. 13th. 1754.

Account Sale Of the Honble East India Companys Broad Cloth by Publick Outcry upon the follg. Conditions.

1 The Goods are to be exposed to view at the Godown.

The purchaser of any Goods shall be allowed twelve Months time to clear them or any parcell of them out of the Warehouse without paying Rent or Allowance for Warehouse room.

The Buyer on paying the Amount of his Goods or any part thereof shall have such parcell or Goods delivered to him & no Goods whatever to be delivered till the Money is actually paid.

An Allowance or Discount shall be made to the Buyer of nine ℔ Cent if paid in before the expiration of six Months from the Commencement of the sale and an Allowance in like manner shall be made of three ℔ Cent if paid in, after six Months and before the expiration of twelve Months from the Commencement of the Sale aforesaid.

After the expiration of twelve Months if any Goods remain uncleared according to the Conditions aforesaid, such Goods shall be put up at publick Outcry and sold for ready Money and if any loss is occasion'd thereby, the prior Purchaser shall be oblig'd to make good the same.

If any person shall fail to make payment within twelve Months as aforesaid for any Goods bought by him, he shall not be permitted to be a Buyer at any future, Sale, untill he has made full Satisfaction for such his non payment.

All persons whatever without distinction shall be free to purchase at the Companys Auction upon the Terms abovewritten.

The Time of sale.	Quality of ye. Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
10th. September 1754.	Aurora	Bales 4	Pags. 407 27 72	Pags. 469	Pagodas 478 18	Bussaph Chitty.
	D°.	D°. 4			D°. 478 18	Ditto.
	D°.	D°. 4			D°. 478 18	Ditto.
	D°.	D°. 4			D°. 478 18	Ditto.
	D°.	D°. 4			D°. 479 —	Ditto.
	D°.	D°. 4			D°. 479 27	Arnagary Chitty
		D°. 4			D°. 479 27	Bussapah Chitty
		D°. 4			480 —	Ditto
		D°. 4			480 —	Ditto
		D°. 4			480 —	Ditto.
		D°. 4			480 —	Arnagary Chitty
		D°. 4			480 —	D°.
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		D°. 4			479 18	D°.
		D°. 4			478 27	D°.
		D°. 4			478 18	D°.
		D°. 4			478 18	Vencaty Kistnah.
		D°. 4			478 18	Natty Chitty.
		D°. 4			478 —	Suncary Chitty.
		D°. 4			478 9	Ditto.
		Bales 100			Pagods. 11981 18	
Shawls ..		Pieces 50	Pags. 99 34 60	Pags. 115	Pags. 115 18	
					Pags. 12097 —	

Fort St. George 10th. Septr. 1754.

Errors Excepted

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Henry Powney

Import Warehokr.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1754* —

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of John McQuin Surgeon of the Britannia.

Sheweth

That your petitioner having had the care of his Majesty's Troops brought from England in the Ship Britannia and supplied them from time to time with proper Medicines at his own Expence by order of Captain Nevill Norway, who acquainted your petitioner he was authorized thereto by the Court of Directors, Your petitioner therefore prays your Honour &ca. Council will be pleased to order him the same Gratuity as is allowed for the care of the Companys Military Recruits.

And Your Petitioner shall ever Pray &ca.

Arrived his Majesty's Sloop King Fisher, Captn. Best Myhell. 17

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 14th. Inst. —

Sailed Sloop Elsey, Joseph Austin for Vizagapatam & Bengal. 18

Do. Brigantine Stree Ramoulou, formerly the Mahamud Mouraad, Tamirajou Noquedah for Vizagapatam. —

Sign'd General Letter to Fort St. David, and Dispatch to Captn. Richard Alwright of the London for that place. —

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day. —

Arrived Ship Prince Edward, Henry Wedderburn from Bussora. 19

Recd by Tappies General Letter from Thomas Cooke Esqr. at Fort St. David dated the 16th. Instant. —

Sailed the Honble Company's Ship London Richard Alwright for Fort St. David. —

Sent by Pattamars General Letter to Bombay dated this day. —

Sign'd Genl. Letter to the presidt. and Council of Bengal to go by the Winchelsea dated this day. —

Arrived Sloop Orange Tree, William Dougan from Fort Marlbro, with John Walsh one of the Supravizors of the West Coast Passenger, and a Packet from thence for this Presidency. 20

Sailed his Majesty's Sloop King Fisher, Best Myhell for Fort St. David. —

Sailed the Honble Company's Ship Winchelsea Christopher Baron for Bengal. 22D.

At a Consultation.

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Governour Presidt. — Monday the 23D.

Alexander Heron.	Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.	Robert Orme.
Alexander Wynch.	Willm. Perceval.
John Smith.	Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read and sign'd.

Mr. William Perceval reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complt. — Hospital. reported

General Letters read Vizt. — General Letters read.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1754* —

From Fort St. David.

N°. 171 from the Deputy Gov^r. and Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 14^th. Instant, acquainting us that Captain Haslop, has applied for twelve Tumbrils, as many Limbers and several other articles to enable his Majestys Train to take the field, desiring Our directions thereon and whether other demands of this kind are to be complied with.

From Mr. Cooke at St. David. * Vide Consult. 30 July & 9th Septembr.

N°. 172 from Thomas Cooke Esq^r. at Fort S^t. David dated the 16^th. Instant, being in answer to a Letter wrote him the 10^th. Instant by the Secretary by order of Consultation the 9^th Instant,* in relation to a Report of John Moore the Carpenter, that he (M^r. Cooke) & M^r. Smith had attempted to committ a fraud by an overcharge in their Accounts, which he (M^r. Cooke) absolutely denies and offers some conjectures as to the Motives John Moore could have had to spread such a Report.

from Fort Marlbro.

N°. 173 from the SupraVizors and Council and N°. 174 from the Supravizors at Fort Marlbro both dated the 6^th. of August containing an Account of their Transactions in Our Honble Masters Affairs since the date of their last Letter by the Prince Edward.

from Mr. Combes at Fort Marlbro.

N°. 175 from M^r. Thomas Combes at Fort Marlbro, dated the 3^d. August representing his Standing and the Services he has done the Company, and requesting that he may succeed M^r. Hindley (whom the SupraVizors have dismiss'd) [as] Deputy Gov^r. of the West Coast.

West Coast Letters referr'd to the Comittee to examine & report.

The [said] last three mention'd Letters are referr'd to the Committee for Affairs of the West Coast to examine and Report.

The Board acquit Messrs. Cooke & Smith of the intended fraud reported by John Moore.

The Board having considered M^r. Smith's Justification of himself from the Accusation of John Moor, and also M^r. Cookes abovemention'd Letter are unanimously of opinion that the said Report was injurious and without foundation.

Mr. Drake declines the Supravizorship & proposes to return to Europe in Janry.

Letter from M^r. Dawsonne Drake read as entered hereafter, signifying that he cannot accept of the Supravizorship, but will endeavour to settle his affairs so as to return to Europe in January, and enclosing a Letter to him from the Doctors, giving their opinion that he is not in a proper state of Health to undergo any fatigue in Business.

Mr. Walsh called in & is of opinion no other Supravizor is necessary.

M^r. John Walsh being called in and asked his opinion, whether he thinks it absolutely necessary another Supravizor should be sent in his room gives it as is opinion that it is not necessary, every thing material being already regulated, which M^r. Pybus (whom he left in good health) may see carried into Execution.

Captn. Schaub requests the division of the Swiss Recruits may be regulated.

Letter from Captain Schaub read as entered hereafter stating the case of the three Companys of Swiss, with respect to the Recruits sent out last Year and those arrived the present season, and requesting that the same be regulated.

The 3 Compys of Polier Shaub, & Gaupp to be put on a footing.

AGREED that the Recruits be divided amongst three Companys of Polier. Shaub and Gaupp in such manner as that the Number of Men in each may be equal.

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Letter from Messrs. Munro and Turing read as entered hereafter, representing that the Cloathing provided for the Hospital last Year is almost worn out & that a [fresh] supply is necessary. The Surgeons represent cloathing is wanted for the Hospital.

ORDERED that the Surgeons draw out an Indent of what Cloathing is wanted for the Hospital and that the Paymaster provided the same. Indent to be made & Paymr. to provide them.

The Export Warehousekeeper lays before the Board a Report of the deficiencys in the Cargo's to Europe ℔ Admiral Vernon, Bombay Castle and Chesterfield which the Export Warehousekr. at this settlement is accountable for amounting to Pags. 12. 28. 28 which has been paid. Deficiency in Cargos to Europe paid for.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to receive the Amount of the deficiencys by the said ship which their Export Wareho.kr. is answerable for as mention'd in their Letter of the 20th. Ulto. and advise Us when they have done so. Those at St. David to be pd. for.

An Account of Captain Schaubs disbursemts. on the publick Service whilst a prisoner at Pondichery being laid before the Board amounting to one hundred and ninety six (196) Pagodas ORDERED that it be deferr'd to the Military Paymaster to examine and Report. Accot. of Captn. Schaub's disbursmt. at Pondicherry dd in. Mility Paymr. to examine & report.

A List of Horses purchas'd for the use of Captn. Forbes Detachment being laid before the Board (as entered hereafter) amounting to sixty two Pagodas and three thousand two hundred Rupees ORDERED that the Military Paymaster discharge the same. Horses bought for Forbes Detachmt. To be paid by the Mility Paymr.

A House in Choultry [Gate] Street belonging to Mr. Barnewall having been in the Company's Possession ever since the Restitution of Madras, during which time it has occasionally been used to lodge the China SupraCargos, Europe Captains, Strangers and others touching at this port, who might otherwise been destitute of a Habitation and the House being now in want of Repairs to the Amot. of three hundred and eighteen Pagodas and twenty six fans. (318. 26) as appears by an Estimate now laid before the Board, Mr. Barnewall submits it to the consideration of the Board either to make him, such an Allowance for putting the House in repair as shall be thought equitable or to enable him to collect the Rents of the several Persons who have inhabited it. The Board considering that the House has been very usefull and employ'd the greatest part of the time for publick Service AGREED that Mr. Barnewall be allowed the Amount of the Estimate being Pags. 318. 26 to repair it, that Mr. Brohier be directed to supply him with workmen he paying for the same and that such Rents as can be recovered from persons in being who have at times lived in the said House be collected to reimburse the Company. Mr. Barnewall to have an allowce. for repairing his House in Choultry Gate street. The Rents to be collected to reimburse the Compy.

Petition of Mr. James Forbes Surgeon of the Warren read as entered hereafter, praying to be allowed the usual Gratuity for fifty nine of the Compys Military Recruits landed here from the Warren. Surgeon of the Warren petitions for Head money.

ORDERED that the Military Paymr. discharge the same. Granted.

The President lays before the Board a Letter from Mr. Thomas Maunsel Commissary in Camp desiring leave to come in to Fort St. David for the recovery of his Health which is much impared. Mr. Maunsell Comissy at Camp has leave to come in for his Health.

AGREED that he have leave accordingly and that Mr. James Bourchier proceed to Camp by the first opportunity to supply his place untill he be sufficiently recovered to take the field again. Mr. Jas. Bourchier appointed his Room

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Accot. Salary deliverd in & Ordered to be paid.

THE Accountant lays before the Board as entered hereafter an Account salary due to the Honble Companys Covenant Servants at the Presidency from the 25th. March last to the 25th. Instant amounting to one thousand nine hundred and nineteen Pagodas, eight fanams and ten Cash (1919. 8. 10) which is ORDERED to be paid.

St. David Cloth sorted.

Agreeable to Resolution of last Consultn. a Majority of the Board having met at the Sorting Godown this morning to examine the Musters of Cloth sent up from Fort St. David by the Britannia, report that having carefully survey'd the same they are of opinion it is much inferior to what those Sortments used to be and therefore it ought to be rejected if there were any probability of bringing the Merchants to better terms, but as the Gentlemen at Fort St. David apprehend that to be impracticable at present they are of opinion the only measure to be taken is to direct the Gentlemen at St. David to sort all their Cloth very strictly and reject what is inferior to the usual Sortments, but keep all the turn'd out Cloth in the Warehouses that in case there should be a necessity for admitting it, it may be resorted & taken in at an Abatement.

Opinion of the Board thereon.

Letter to be wrote to St. David.

ORDERED that a Letter be prepared to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David accordingly.

No Redwood to be sold till the Company is supply'd.

The Redwood provided for the Company for some Years past being in general very bad the Board are of opinion it is in a great measure owing to the Sortment sent Annually to China, which being the best and largest Wood (the inferior Sort not being saleable there) is first pick'd from the whole quantity brought to the settlement, and the Refus'd tendered for the Companys demand, to prevent which it is AGREED that no Redwood be permitted to be sold to private Persons untill the Company be supplied.

Company to bear the Charge of transporting the Warren's store to the Britannia.

Some Charges having arisen in transporting the Kings Stores from the Warren on board the Britannia AGREED that they be defray'd by the Company.

Milty Storekr. to purchase Bullocks for the powder Mill when wanted.

Some Bullocks for working the powder Mill at Egmore being dead ORDERED that the Military Storekeeper purchase more and replace them from time to time as occasion may require.

20 Coffree Men to be sent to the West Coast ℔ Pce. George.

ORDERED that 20 of the Company's Coffree Men Slaves be sent to the West Coast by the Prince agreeable to what the Supravizors advise.

Money paid into cash from the Mayors Court.

Certificate from the Accountant General that the Regr. of the Mayors Court is to pay into Cash the Sum of four hundred and eight Pagodas, twenty eight fans. and forty Cash (408. 28. 40) Account the Cause Agu Manu Seera Busy versus Seida Shaick Mossu.

ORDERED that the said Sum is received & a Receit is now sign'd for the same accordingly.

4 West Cost Certif tendered.

The following Certificates for money paid into the Honble Companys Cash at Fort Marlbro being presented to the Board Vizt.

One for ℔ 3600 or Pags. 2181. 29. 36 Payable to Captain William Dougan or order value of himself.

One for 1943. –. 81 1177. 25. 11 payable to Mr. Charles Bourchier or order value of Mr. Thos. Combes.

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One for 1200. —. —	727.	9.	65	payable to Captain Edmund Maskelyne or order value of Captn. Jas. Paul Morrisett and Captn. Lieut. Joseph Gabbett.
One for 400. —. —	242.	15.	21	payable to Mr. Thos. Petting or order value of Captn. Lieut. Pero.

ORDERED that the said Certificates be accepted to be paid in ten days or the 3d. day of October next.

A Draught from the Accountant General by order of the Mayors Court on the President and Council for Pags. 186. 9. 61 payable to Samuel Moses Account the Estate of Levy Moses (which was presented to the Board the 2d. Instt. and payment refused) being again presented, payment is refused because it hath been signified to the Board that an Appeal is lodged from the Decree of the Mayors Court on that Cause. A Draught from the Accot. Genl. Accot. the Estate of Levy Moses refused again.

The Committee for transacting Affairs relating to Country Government &ca. apply to the Board for ten thousand (10000) Pagodas to be remitted to Mr. Andrew Newton at Tanjour for the use of the Army under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence. Advance to the Commissary for a remittance to Camp.

AGREED that the said Sum be advanc'd to the Commissary for that purpose.

The season growing late and the Colchester not being yet arrived from Batavia AGREED that the Norfolks Cargo from Europe consign'd to the presidency at Bengal be landed and the Ship got in readiness to proceed to Europe. Norfolks cargo to be landed & the ship prepared to be dispatchd to Europe.

Mr. John Walsh being return'd from the West Coast ORDERED that he take Charge of the Employ of Under Searcher of the Sea Gate in the room of Mr. Henry Van Sittart who has held the same in his absence. Mr. Walsh to take the Employ of under searcher.

Henry Powney Impo. Wareho. kr. pays in from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe twenty two thousand six hundred (22600) Pagodas As also three thousand two hundred and forty three Pagodas eight fanams and sixty Cash (3243. 81. 60) for Rupees sold. Money pd. in by the Impo. Wareho. kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in on his runng. Account one thousand (1000) Pagodas. Sea Customr. pays into Cash.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chitty Beetle and Tobacco Farmers pay in six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. August last. Rents paid in of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitty Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence pay in three hundred and thirty three Pagodas and twelve fanams being one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. August last. Arrack and wine Licence.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permal Kelleva Chitty Farmers of the Measuring Duty pay in one hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (166. 24) for two Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant. Measuring Duty.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash. Advances out of Cash to the

To the Export Warehousekr. three thousand (3000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Expo. Wareho. kr.

To the Commissary nine thousand two hundred and forty three Pagodas, eight fanams and sixty Cash (9243. 8. 60) for the Charges of the Troops abroad. Comissary.

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Milit$\tilde{y}$ Storekr. To the Military Storekeeper three thousand six hundred (3600) for the Charges of that Employ.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
ALEX^{R}. HERON.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
WILL^{M}. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HON$\tilde{B}$LE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON$\tilde{B}$LE SIR & SIRS

By your direction M^{r}. Dupré has acquainted me that you look'd upon my last Answer as undeterminate and that it is your final Resolution to suspend me from my Hoñble Masters service after the January dispatch unless I return then or sooner to Europe or take upon me the Supravizorship to which you have been pleased to appoint me, I can only reply that I cannot undertake the Supravizorship on Account of my bad state of health, and as to my return to Europe, I will if possible get myself ready by the January Dispatch, only beg leave to lay before you a Letter I rec̃d. yesterday from Mess^{rs}. Munro and Turing which I here enclose; I should have desired the opinion of those Gentlemen before, had I not thought my ill state of health (so well known to every body) would have induced you to have been more favourable to me, but as I find you were determin'd upon suspending me from my Hoñble Masters Service, I then thought it high time in justice to myself to let my Hoñble Masters see, that nothing but real illness could possibly have prevented me from undertaking any Commission my Superiors were pleased to appoint me to

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
23^{D}. SEPTEMB^{R}. 1754.

I am with all due Respect
HON$\tilde{B}$LE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum$\tilde{.}$ Serv^{t}.
DAWSONNE DRAKE.

To M^{r}. Dawsonne Drake.

SIR

WE have rec̃d. your Letter of the 15th. Instant requesting Our opinion of the State of your Health and whether We think it adviseable your undertaking a Voyage to Bencoolen in order to supervise the Hon'ble Companys Affairs there, In answer to which, without entering into phisical [*sic*] Discussions which often raise Mirth rather than serious Attention, We must declare it as our firm Opinion that your present languid and Sickly Condition will not allow of any application or attention to Business in any Climate and much less in a wet variable one such as Bencoolen Should it be ask'd what this languid Sickly state of Health proceeds from, We say it is from originally weak Nerves,

a Relax'd alimentary Tube Obstructed Bowells, want of due digestion Perspiration &c^{a}. These are Our Sentiments of your case, both with a due regard to the Interest of the Honble Company and with the view We have of doing you Common Justice.

We are
SIR
Your most Humble Servants

A. MUNRO.
ROBERT TURING.

THE 21ST. SEPTEMBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As Captain Polier has presented a Memorial to you by which he pretends to his proportion of the Swiss Recruits lately arrived, I thought it my Duty to give you to understand, that out of the Number of those which came last Year, all destin'd for Gaupps Company & mine, M^{r}. Polier had twenty eight men. It seems to me that M^{r}. Polier ought last Year as well as now to have referr'd himself to S^{r}. Luke Schaub's Letter, which says exactly what follows, and of which I sent a Copy sign'd by my Officers to M^{r}. Gaupp.

> " The Directors sent for M^{r}. Schalch hither, agreed with him for the same enlisting Money, as is stipulated in Our Capitulations, swore him, gave him their Brevet & sent him back to shaft house with Orders to supply them for this year, and expressly by the 5th. December ensuing with 120 Recruits, which are all destin'd for your Compy and M^{r}. Chabberts, for Mess^{rs}. Polier and Zugler having each had twenty Men above their Compliment, they will have no need of Recruits, till next Year, The Directors did immediately advance to M^{r}. Schalch the whole enlisting Money for the 120 Recruits to be shar'd between M^{r}. Chabbert and you and thereby have sufficiently exempted you from contributing to it, and at the same time eas'd you of all Doubts with regard to any Recruits you may be in want of hereafter.

Give me Leave Honble Sir & Sirs to request of you that to indemnify Captain Gaupp and me from the Damage We suffered by the loss of the 28 Men, the Recruits now arrived may be put into Our two Companys, and shar'd in such a manner as to render Our two Companies entirely equal in number of Men.

For the rest Honble Gentlemen, whatever you may be pleas'd to determine will be equally agreeable to me.

I have the Honour to be with profound Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble and most
Obedient Servant
J. H. SCHAUB.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
9TH SEPT^{R}. 1754.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1754* —

To the Honble The Govr.
and Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

As the rainy Wheather [*sic*] is now coming on and the Cloathing for the Hospital for last Year being almost worn out, We apply to your Honour &ca. for leave to provide a further supply for this Season.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and most
Humble Servants
A. Munro.
Robert Turing.

Fort St. George
the 23d. Septr. 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On examining the Account deficiencys of Goods transmitted for England of the Cargo's recd. ℔ Admiral Vernon, Bombay Castle and Chesterfield, there appears seven pieces of Cloth wanting in the Number of Bales shipp'd on board the two former Ships Packet at this presidency, which were embaled by Mr. Daniel Morse then Assistant to the Export Warehousekr. as specified; the same are now made good being paid for amounting to Pags. 12. 28. 28 and Account Current London duly credited in the Warehouse Books, but for the rest that Account referrs to, of what was short delivered must be adjusted by the Warehousekr. at Fort St. David, since it is mention'd from home by the Bale Notes came to hand, they were embaled by Messs. John Starke and Andrew Newton who were on the Fort St. David Establishment at the time and consequently the Warehousekr. there is accountable for those deficiencys.

I am with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Humble Servt.
Charles Boddam.

Fort St. George
the 23d. Septr. 1754.

An Account of Horses supplied the Detachment under the Command of Captain Rodeaick Forbes.

The Honble Company.

	Dr. Rupees
One Horse	800 — —
One Do.	700 — —
One Do.	400 — —
One Do.	400 — —
One Do.	500 — —
One Do. .. .. Pags. 62.	
Saddles & furniture for the above	400 — —
Pagodas. 62. Rups. ..	3,200 — —

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RECEIVED the contents for Captain Forbes by me.

ROBERT TURING.

FORT ST. GEORGE
3D. OCTOBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE Humble Petition of James Forbes Surgeon of the Warren

SHEWETH

THAT your Petitioner having had the Care of the Honble Companys Military Recruits on board the Warren he humbly prays to be allowed the usual Gratuity for 59 Men landed here.

AND Your Petitioner shall ever pray &ca.

ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honble Companys Covenant servants from 25th. March 1754 to 25th. September 1754.

		Ms.	Dys.	₰ Ann	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Pags.	fans.	Cas.
Thomas Saunders Esqr.	President and Govr.	—	—	£200	100	—	—						
....	Gratuity	—	—	100	50	—	—						
								150	—	—	375	—	—
Charles Boddam	2d. of Council	—	—	100				50	—	—	125	—	—
Henry Powney	3d. of Dº.	—	—	70				35	—	—	87	18	—
Robert Orme	4 dº.	—	13	50				1	16	1	4	18	40
Alexander Wynch	5th. dº.	5	17	50	23	4	—						
		—	13	40	1	8	10						
								24	12	10			
William Perceval	6th. dº.	—	26	40				20	—	—	50	—	—
	Senr. Merchant	5	4										
John Smith	7th. of Council	—	—	40				20	—	—	50	—	—
Charles Bourchier	8th. dº.	—	—	40				20	—	—	50	—	—
Dawsonne Drake	Senr. Merchant	—	—	40				20	—	—	50	—	—
John Walsh	Junior Merchant	2	18	30	6	10	—						
	Senior Merchant	1	18	40	5	6	8						
								11	16	8	29	21	10
Samuel Ardley	Factor	1	3	15	1	7	6						
	Junior Merchant	4	27	30	12	5	—						
								13	12	6	34	2	20
Edward Edwards	Factor	5	13	15	6	15	10						
	Junior Merchant	—	17	30	1	8	3						
	Gratuity as Assay Master	—	—	80	40	—	—						
								48	4	1	120	18	12
Henry Vansittart	Factor	—	—	15	7	10	—						
	Gratuity as Translator	—	—	30	15	—	—						
								22	10	—	56	9	—
Richard Fairfield	Factor	1	11	15	1	14	2						
	Gratuity as Sub Accomt.	1	11	100	11	7	9						
	Dº. keeping the Compys. acots. with the Mayor Court.	1	11	20	2	5	6						
								15	7	5	38	15	46
Charles Turner	Factor	—	—	15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Josias Du Pré	Ditto	—	—	15	7	10	—						
	Gratuity as Secretary	—	—	10	5	—	—						
	Dº. as Clerk of ye. Peace ..	—	—	45	22	10	0						
								35	—	—	87	18	—
	Carried over ..							495	9	7	1177	3	48

ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honble Companys Covenant servants from 25th. March 1754 to 25th. September 1754—*cont.*

		Ms.	Dys.	℔ Ann	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Pags.	fans.	Cas.
	Brought forward ..							495	9	7	1177	3	48
John Browning	Factor	—	—	15				7	10	—	18	27	—
James Alexander	Dº.	—	—	15	7	10	0						
	Gratuity as Sub-Accoᵗ. ..	4	19	100	38	12	2						
	Dº. for keeping the Comp. Accoᵗ. with the Mayors Court.	4	19	20	7	14	5						
								53	16	7	134	21	—
John Smith	Factor	—	—	15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Daniel Morse	Ditto	—	—	15	7	10	—						
	Gratuity for keeping yᵉ. Books of the Mayors Court.	—	—	20	10	—	—						
								17	10	—	43	27	—
Charles Simpson	Writer	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
George Stratton	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Philip Franˢ, Greenslate	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Matthew Clarke	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
James Bourchier	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Henry Eustace Johnson	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
John Whitehill	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Claud Russell	Gratuity as Accompᵗ. General ..	—	—	5	2	10	—						
	of the Mayors Court.	—	—	20	10	—	—						
								12	10	—	31	9	—
Thomas Rumbold	Writer	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
George Pyne	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Alexander Dalrymple ..	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
John Davidson	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Charles Smith	Dº.	—	—	5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Samuel Johnson	Dº. from 9th June	3	16	5				1	9	5	3	24	40
Waldegrave Pelham	Dº. 14th Dº.	3	11	5				1	8	—	3	18	14
John Marcarmich	Dº. 17 August	1	8	5				—	10	6	1	11	34
James Broadbent	Dº. 14 June	3	11	5				1	8	—	3	18	14
William Aldersey	Dº. 8 dº.	3	17	5				1	9	8	3	25	60
Robert Dowset	Dº. 7 July	2	18	5				1	1	8	2	25	40
The Revᵈ. Mr. Robᵗ. Palk	Chaplains	—	—	100				50	—	—	125	—	—
The Revᵈ. Mr. Samuel Stavely		—	—	100				50	—	—	125	—	—
Andrew Munro	Surgeons	—	—	36				18	—	—	45	—	—
Robert Turing		—	—	36				18	—	—	45	—	—
	£							767	13	5 or	1919	8	10
	a 8 lb. ℔ Pagoda												

25TH SEPTR. 1754.

Errors Excepted,
℔ HENRY POWNEY.
Accompt.

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23d. Signed General Letter to Fort St. David and Dispatch to Captain Nevell Norway of the Brittannia for Fort St. David both dated this day.

24th. Arrived His Majestys Ship Bridgwater Captn. William Martin from Fort St. David.

— Do. Brigantine, Meeramiduth, Shaik Ishmaee from Nagere and Covelong.

— Sailed the Honble Company's Ship Britannia Nevell Norway for Fort St. David.

— Sent remittances to Mr. Andrew Newton at Tanjore of ten thousand Pagodas for the use of the Army.

— Recd. by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 20th. Instant.

25 Sailed Ship Phatae Doulat, Manoel Correa for Malacca.

— Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 22d. Instant.

— Sent General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

26 Recd. by Chilinga General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 23d. Instant with a packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by the Kent Captn. George Wilson who arrived at Fort St. David the 23d.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR, GOVERNOUR PRESIDT.

ALEXANDER HERON.	CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.	ROBERT ORME.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.	WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.	CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THURSDAY the 26th.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Packet from England by Kent opened.

The Packet from England by the Kent recd. at Fort St. David and forwarded from thence being opened and the several Papers compared with the List are found to agree therewith, amongst which are Duplicate of the Advices already recd. by the London and Britannia but none of a later date.

General letter read from DeveCotah.

General Letters read Vizt.

No. 176 from Mr. Charles Hopkins at DeveCotah, dated the 20th. Instant enclosing the Monthly Papers for August also Estimate of making and repairing Carriages for Guns and of repairing the Gunroom and advising that he has Intelligence the French have sent an Enginr. to Picket out a piece of Ground at the Entrance of the river Kuella for a Battery which will enable them to Annoy all Boats or vessells going in or out of DeveCotah River, That the Books would have been compleated, but are retarded for want of the Fort St. David Adjustments.

from St. David

No. 177 and No. 178 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 22d. Instant acknowledging the receipt of Our Letters of the 14 & 17, and acquainting us that in consequence of Our directions the Deputy Govr. having quartered the Kings Troops in Cuddalore Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw desired to have the Command of the Garrison, which as there was a precedent in Admiral Boscawens time was complied with, they therefore desire Our further directions as they apprehend it will be difficult to make Lieut. Colonel Bagshaw relinquish the Command now he is in possession of it. The other is dated the 23d. Instant and advises the arrival there of the Kent that

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day with Colonel Aldercron on board, and that they forward to Us by Chelinga the packet from Europe for Us, and will dispatch the ship hither as soon as the Troops & Stores are landed, desiring Our directions in regard to the Boat and Cooley there in landing the provisions and Stores which His Majestys Officers scruple to pay.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David be acquainted [we] approve of their Intentions to dispatch the Kent as expeditiously as possible that We see no reason why the Kings officers should scruple paying the Charges of landing their Stores &c^{a}. however to avoid Disputes it may be paid by the Company but a seperate Account must be kept of all such Charges which may be adjusted hereafter, that in regard to the Kings Officers Commanding in Cuddalore We hope to find some Method of conciliating that point therefore for the present avoid saying any thing More on the Subject. St. David to be wrote to.

As Colonel Adlercron is arrived at Fort S^{t}. David an Answer may be expected from him in a day or two to Our Letter lodg'd at Fort S^{t}. David for him but in case no Answer should be recd. in that time it is AGREED to write to him that We apprehend it will be for the good of the service he should come to this settlement that We may the better concert Measures with him. Coll. Aldercron to be wrote toto come up hither.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
ALEX^{R}. HERON.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
WILL^{M}. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}: BOURCHIER.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day. 27

Arrived Sloop George Thomas Reason from Bandarmalanka with General Letter from M^{r}. John Andrews dated the 3^{d}. Ult^{o}. 28

Sailed Ship Prince Edward, Thomas Powney for Tenasseree. 29

Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 29th. Inst^{t}. —

Arrived Ship Britannia Francis Walmesly from Bengal and Vizagapatam with a General Letter from the Former dated 15th. August. 30th.

Arrived the Honble Companys Ship Colchester Roger, Mainwaring from Batavia. —

Sailed His Majesty's Ship Bridgewater Captain William Martin for Fort S^{t}. David. —

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. MONDAY the 30th.

ALEXANDER HERON.	CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.	ROBERT ORME.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.	WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.	CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated the 23^{d}. and 26th. Instant read and sign'd.

M^{r}. John Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

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General Letters read Viz^{t}.

General Letters read. [from] Ingeram.

N^{o}. 179 from Foss WestCott Esq^{r}. Resident at Ingeram dated the 10th. Instant acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 22^{d}. August, enclosing Monthly accounts & advising that he shall in a few days dispatch his Bales to us.

[From] Bandar malanka.

N^{o}. 180 from M^{r}. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 3^{d}. Ult^{o}. advising that he has consign'd Us on the George Sloop Ninety three Bales of Cloth that as the Money came to him late, and he is oblig'd to turn out a great deal of Cloth to bring the Merchants to a proper Sortment he has sent only what was provided before that time but hopes by January to invest all the money We have sent him that the fine Izzarees are making enclosing Monthly acco^{t}.

from Fort St. David.

N^{o}. 181 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 26th. Instant, acquainting Us that they had called upon the widow of the late M^{r}. S^{t}. Paul for the Vouchers relating to the Tents, but she [denies] having any other than the Indents, they are of opinion he kept none, and they suppose the Cooley for making them must have been pretty near the same there as here, that in regard to the torn and damag'd Cloth the Export Warehousekeeper, has delivered in a Letter to their Board, a Copy of which they enclose, whereby it appears he does not chuse to comply with Our Order either in paying for the Cloth or being answerable for the servants and declines the Charge of the Export Warehouse or assisting at Consultation untill we determine that Affair, they therefore desire Our speedy Resolution as the Season grows late & the Merchants have Cloth ready to be sorted which cannot be done untill M^{r}. Cooke resumes the Employ, that they are of opinion with M^{r}. Cooke it is impossible to procure a Conicoply of sufficient Credit to find reasonable Security for the Goods he must be entrusted with desiring a supply of fanams as the Number of Troop occasion a scarcity, that they have enquired of Lieu^{t}. Davis concerning the money found amongst Captain Chases Effects, and he says it could not be the Companys as that was all expended, before the place was taken. That Cootah is contented with Our Reduction of the Rent of the Weighing Duty to pay Pag^{s}. 300 ℔ annum. That there are several french deserters at S^{t}. David who desire to enter in Our service or to have passports to go to the Dutch or elsewhere, on which they desire Our Orders. That Colonel Adlercron has desired each detachment may be victua[lled] fourteen days after their Arrival and that the Kings Hospital may be constantly supplied with provisions, which they shall continue to do till they receive Our Orders that Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw and Major Lovett have delivered in Letters to their Board (Copies of which they enclose) desiring to be supplied with pallankeens & Horses, which they say are absolutely necessary for the performance of their Duty, That Colonel Adlercron has in consequence of his Majestys Instructions desired Returns of that Garrison, and expects to give the parole at Fort S^{t}. David, which they have not complied with, and desire Our directions, That Lieutenant Thomas Brown died the 25th.

From Bengal.

N^{o}. 182 from the President and Council of Bengal dated the 15th. August, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letters to the 30th. June, which they defer replying to till another opportunity, when they propose sending us a packet to be forwarded to Our Honble Masters, desiring We will send them what may remain of the Consignment of Treasure intended for them from Europe, in Arcot Rupees which Specie is at present in the greatest demand there, and if it should continue so, and they find it proper to alter the proportion, they will give us due notice, that they propose sending Us the 3000 Bags of Salt petre We indented for on one of Our Honble Masters Ships of this Season, as well as the other Stores We have indented for, and fill up the remaining Tonnage with Grain. That the S^{t}. George arrived there safe and her Treasure turn'd out two Madrass Rupees short.

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from Captain Mainwaring of the Colchester.

N°. 183 from Captain Roger Mainwaring of the Ship Colchester dated at Batavia the 3d. Instant enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading for Teak Timber and Plank laden on that ship on the Honble Company's Account, and assigning the Reasons why the quantity is so short of what might reasonably have been expected.

Bandarmalika Bales to be resorted. The Brown to be sent home so.

ORDERED that the Bales from Bandarmalanka, be resorted as soon as possible and embaled as well as the brown Cloth as the White, the Season being now too far advanc'd to get the former wash'd.

St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be wrote to that as We can get no Information from them in regard to the Tents We must drop the subject for the present, but shall resume it at a more leisure time, that there certainly has been an Imposition for which they ought to be answerable, because if they had scrutiniz'd into Mr. St. Paul's Account it could not have escaped them and that in future We shall call upon them to make good any frauds that may be discovered in the Accounts of their Settlement, after they have pass'd them as just. That in regard to Mr. Cooke, he had opportunity enough of knowing the Standing order, that makes every principal Accountable for his servants, that We cannot break the Companys possitive Commands and therefore all Employs must be subject to it, if Mr. Cooke does not chuse to continue in the Charge of the Export Warehouse on those terms, we suspend him from the Companys service and insist on his taking the torn and damag'd Cloth for his Account, payg. the Amount into Cash. That We shall supply them with as many fanams as We can procure That the president will write to Admiral Watson to desire he will receive the French Deserters on board his Majestys Ships. That We are in want of Sixteen Corge of blue Sallempores Ordy for the West Coast, which if possible we would have sent us in time for the Prince George's dispatch. That hence forward all Affairs relating to His Majestys Squadron or Land forces, and all Military Affairs must be communicated to Us in seperate Letters, that in regard to victualling the Kings Troops 14 days after their Arrival We have already directed it to be done, and that a plentifull Buzar be kept from whence the Kings Hospital may be supplied, the Company being put to no Expence thereby That Pallankeens may be provided and Horses purcha[sed] for the Coll. Lieut. Colonel and Major to be in readiness against they take the field. That as we expect to see Coll. Adlercron here and hope to settle every thing Satisfactory, we shall for the present give no positive directions relating to the parole and Returns.

Fans. to be sent to St. David.

AGREED that two thousand Pagodas be exchang'd into fanams to be sent to Fort St. David the first opportunity.

Lieut. Comission for Mr. Bishop to be drawn out.

ORDERED that a Commission be made out for Lieut. William Bishop, in the room of Lieut. Thomas Brown deceas'd.

Lieut. Cudmore permitted to return to Bengal.

The President acquaints the Board that Lieut. Cudmore of the Bengal Establishment being a prisoner on parole has requested leave to return to Bengal which is granted him accordingly.

Colchester to be sent to the Bay to be dispatch'd from thence early. Her Cargo of Timber to be sent on her to the Bay.

The Colchester being arrived from Batavia, it is debated whether to dispatch her or the Norfolk to England before the breaking up of the Monsoon and it being considered that the season is already advanced, that the Norfolk's Cargo is almost all landed and the Ship very near ready to receive Goods on board, That it will take up a considerable time to land the Timber and Plank from the Colchester and put the Ship in a proper Condition to receive a loading for Europe, upon these Considerations it is AGREED that the Norfolk Captain Bonham be dispatchd from hence this season to England, that as soon as the

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Colchester can take in the necessary Refreshments and Water she be dispatch'd for Bengal, and that it be recommended to the Gentlemen there to dispatch her the first Ship for Europe, for as this is her last Voyage and she has been a long time in India, it is apprehended she may not be so capable of beating round the Cape in a late passage and that she may the sooner be ready for such dispatch it is AGREED not to detain her, to land the Timber and Plank, but that it be consign'd to the Gentlemen at the Bay.

Norfolk to be survey'd.

ORDERED that the Secretary signify to Captains Burman, Savage and Taylor, that they are desired to survey the Norfolk, and report whether she is in a proper condition to receive her Cargo for Europe.

Box Packet from England ℔ Norfolk & her Coral & Silver to be sent to the Bay ℔ Colchester & the rest of her cargo ℔ Kent.

ORDERED that the Box packet from England ℔ Norfolk for the President and Council of Bengal be landed and forwarded thither on the Colchester as well as the Coral and private silver, and that the Compys Cargo for the Bay ℔ Norfolk be laden on the Kent as expeditiously as possible.

Storekr. to receive of Captn. Mainwaring the Ballance of his Account.

ORDERED that the Storekeeper receive from Captain Mainwaring the Ballance of Treasure remaining out of what was consign'd to him for the purchase of a Cargo of Timber and Plank at Batavia.

Sundrys purchas'd by the Steward for the Admirals & ca. Table to be sold, produce paid in &Ballance wrote off.

An Account of sundry provisions and Necessarys purchas'd by the Steward for supplying the Tables of Admiral Watson and Colonel Adlercron, before the receipt of the Companys Orders, relating to their Allowces. being laid before the Board, ORDERED that they be sold by Publick Outcry at the Sea Gate and the produce thereof with the Ballance of Cash now remaining in the Stewards hands paid into Cash and that then the Ballance of the Stewards Account be wrote of By or To Profit and Loss.

The Board are of opinion Vipary Church belong'd to Coja Petrus and he gave it to Padre Severini.

Pursuant to an Order of Consultation the 29th. July last made in consequence of Our Honble Masters directions touching the pretensions of Padre Severini to the Church at Vipparee, Extracts from the Will and Codicills of Coja Petrus and Translations of the same both attested by Coja Shawmir Sultan and Coja Thaddeous Agapery Men of Credit, are now laid before the Board and read whereupon the Board are of opinion that the said Church at Vipparee was really the property of the said Petrus and that he hath by his said will given and devised the same to the said Padre Severini that Masses may be said there at certain Stipulated times for the rest of his Soul, but that Our Honble Masters may themselves be enabled to judge of the said Petrus's Right and Request, it is ORDERED that Copies of the said Translated Extracts be sent to England in the packet ℔ Norfolk.

Petition of Padre Severini & the Romish Inhabitants to build a Church.

Petition of Padre Severini and the Inhabitants of Madrass of the Romish Religion read as enter'd here after setting forth that when the Romish Church in this Town was taken from them they were permitted to retire to a place in the Black Town, which had served as a Church Yard, where they erected a Building for the Exercise of their Religion, but the same being done in a very slight manner is liable to receive Damage by every strong Wind, and being desirous of building a Church there they pray that the said spot of Ground may be granted them, with the Addition of another spot contiguous thereto belonging to the Company.

Not granted but Padre Severini permitted to reside here.

Recourse being had to the Company's Orders relating to Romish priests, it appears in the 25th. Paragraph of their Commands dated 3d. Febry. 1747, it appears that We are absolutely forbid suffering any Romish Church within the Bounds, or even to suffer the publick profession of the Romish Religion or their priests to dwell amongst Us.

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It is therefore Agreed that the said Petition be not complied with, but that in consideration of the good character of Padre Severini and his having always shewn himself a friend to the English, he be still permitted to reside here untill Our Honble Masters further pleasure be known.

Captn. Bonham requests 50 Tons Salt Petre on ½ Friet.

Letter from Captain Pinson Bonham of Ship Norfolk read as entered hereafter, requesting to be indulg'd with fifty Tons of Salt Petre at half freight over & above the Charter party Salt Petre Agreed that the said Quantity be laden accordingly reserving to Ourselves, the liberty of reckoning it as part of the Ships Tonnage if we should see occasion or declaring it to be on half freight.

Granted but the Terms to be settled hereafter.

a new Head to be erected in the Store keepers Books for Materials for Temporary works.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an Account of Sundry stores as Timber Plank &c^{a}. supplied the Engineer, for scaffolding, Temporary Bridges &c^{a}. which as they are not entirely expended, but may be applied again to other uses, the Engineer refuses bringing to Account; the Board are of opinion, that as such Materials are made use of only for a time, it is proper a Head should be open'd in the Storekeepers Books of Materials supplied the Ingineer [*sic*] for Scaffolding &c^{a}. that the Engineer to give the Storekeeper a Receit for all the stores that have been already issued for those purposes and that none be delivered in future without a Receit.

Redwood lost in the surf to be wrote off.

The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that four p^{s}. of Red-
C. q^{r}. lb. C M^{s}. lb.
wood weighing 24. –. 16 or 5. 8. 4 value Pag^{s}. 16. 8. 5. which were intended for the Triton were lost in the surf. Ordered that they be wrote off.

2 West Coast Certificates to be accepted & paid.

Two Certificates from the Supravizors and Council at Fort Marlbro for money paid into Cash there being presented to the Board Viz^{t}.

1 for	₱ 1650	or Pag^{s}. 1000	payable to Mess^{rs}. Walsh & Vansittart value of M^{r}. Tho^{s}. Combes.
1 for	825	or 500	payable to M^{r}. John Walsh value of M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Preston.

Ordered that they be accepted, payable in ten days and that they be paid accordingly.

2 setts of Bills in the Compy sign'd.

Two setts of Bills of Exchange of this date are now sign'd drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at their stated Exchange payable at 90 days sight, the value whereof is now recd. into Cash Viz^{t}.

Setts.		£.	s.	d.	Pags.	f.	c.
1	To David de Castro or Order value of David Lopes Fernandes and Samuel de Castro in part return for a Box of pearls markd M N^{o}. 2 imported ₱ Essex Anno 1751	383	6	8	1,000	—	—
1	To James Burnet or order value of Lieu^{t}. William Burnet	30	—	—	78	9	31
2	Setts amounting to.	£ 413	6	8	or 10,78	9	31

Monthly Accts. read Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esq^{r}. Mint Master reads that Account for last Month Ballance remaining in the Mint two hundred and eighty two thousand nine hundred and thirty (282930) Madras Rupees. Nine hundred and ninety seven thousand five hundred and fifty eight Arcot Rupees, nine annaes (99558. 9) [*sic*] ten thousand two hundred and seventy six (10276) Madrass Pagodas One hundred and twenty three thousand and twenty one Current Pagodas, thirty fans. and seventy Cash (123021. 30. 70) which is carried forward.

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Export Warehouse. Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him three hundred and ninety seven Pagodas, twenty two fan^{s}. and seventy five cash (397. 22. 75) which is carried forward.

Paymaster. Charles Boddam late Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	251	24	32
Charges Hospital	211	1	37
Peons and Servants wages	376	33	—
Charges General	86	11	48
Charges Extraordinary	299	—	61
Repairs	1,058	32	28
Fortifications	754	10	8
Poonemalee &c^{a}. Villages	21	24	32
S^{t}. Thome &c^{a}. Villages	21	26	16
Allowances of the Court of Request	12	12	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Pagodas ..	3,743	32	22

Ballance due from him six hundred and forty eight Pagod^{s}. two fanams and twenty three Cash (648. 2. 23) which he now pays in.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are entered hereafter.

Import Warehouse. Henry Powney Import warehouse keeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him thirteen thousand three hundred and sixty five Pagodas, nineteen fanams and fifty eight Cash (13365. 19. 58) which is carried forward.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney SeaCustomer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him nine thousand four hundred and eighty Pagodas, nine fanams and thirty six Cash (9480. 9. 36) which is carried forward.

Storehouse. Alexander Wynch Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him one thousand seven hundred and sixty seven Pagodas twenty four fanams and nineteen Cash (1767. 24. 19) of which he now pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred and eighty six Pagodas, eight fanams and sixty two Cash (586. 8. 62) which he now pays in.

Milit̃y Paymastr. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him one hundred Pagodas, twelve fanams and sixty one Cash (100. 12. 61) which is carried forward.

Milit̃y Storekeeper. Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him three hundred and twenty three Pagodas, twenty five fanams and sixty Cash (323. 25. 60) which is carried forward.

Journal parcells. The Journal Parcels for July are also produced.

Engineers account. The Engineers Account of Expences and Materials used in the Fortifications and Repairs is laid before the Board.

Money paid in accot. Import Warehouse. Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe ten thousand (10000) Pagodas, as also three thousand two hundred and forty three Pagodas, eight fanams and forty Cash (3243. 8. 40) for Rupees sold.

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AGREED to advance Alexander Wynch Commissary sixteen hundred and twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty Cash (1621. 22. 30) to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Commissary advanced.

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TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF

FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE Humble Petition of Padre Severini De Savoy Missionary and Madras Inhabitants of the Roman Catholick Religion.

HUMBLY SHEW

THAT since the year 1750 when your petitioners were ordered to leave the Church in the White Town, which had been granted them by the Honble the Court of Directors for the Service of their Religion, they were ordered to retire by the then Govr. of Madrass, to a place which served then as a Church yard untill further Order, your petitioners have accordingly built upon that spot of Ground convenient places to lodge the Effects they were permitted to carry away belonging to the said church, and your petitioners have also built upon the same Spot a place for the performance of the Duties of their Communion which is built in so slight a manner that every Strong Wind & Weather destroys some part thereof which has hitherto put them to great Expence, because your petitioners have hitherto not been certain of being permitted to stay in the same place, your petitioners therefore humbly Pray your Honours will be pleased to grant and assign them the aforesaid Spot of Ground to be by them possess'd as their Property and to build a Church upon the same for the Publick performance of their Religious Duties and such other conveniencys as they shall have occasion for where unto your Petitioners humbly beg the Assistance and Charity of Your Honours and all Charitable people. Your petitioners also beg leave to shew unto your Honours that the building of a Church and other conveniencys on the aforesaid Ground will take up the greatest part thereof, Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray your Honours will be pleased to permit them to enlarge their former Enclosure and to take in a small piece of Ground, lying to the Westward thereof belonging to the Honble Company and at present not in the occupation of any body.

AND your petitioner as is Duty Bound shall ever Pray. 22d. September 1754

FR. SEVERINI of SAUOYA.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Charter party Salt Petre not being sufficient to stiffen my Ship, I request your Honour &ca. Council will be pleased to indulge me with fifty Tons more on half freight.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hum.
Servt.
Pinson Bonham.

Fort St. George
30th. Septr. 1754.

Extraordinary Expences in the Paymaster's account are in the following Particulars 31st. August 1754.

Charges Garrison	18	1	78
Charges Hospital	3	15	45
Peons and Servants wages	—	4	—
Charges General	21	26	39
Charges Extraordinary	299	—	61
Repairs	1,058	32	28
Fortifications	754	10	8
Poonemalee &ca. Villages	21	24	32
St. Thome &ca. Villages	21	26	16
Allowances of the Court of Request	12	12	—
Pagodas ..	2,211	9	67

Errors Excepted
℔ Chas. Boddam,
Paymr.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1754* —

1. Arrived the Honble Companys Ship Kent George Wilson from Fort St. David with General Letter from thence dated the 29th. Ulto.

—Sailed Brigantine Meramiduth Shaik Ismael, for Tenasseree.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

2. Arrived Ship Shirley, Richd. Finley from Mocha with a Genl. Letter from the Supra Cargoes of the Sandwich dated 22d. August 1754.

3. Sailed Ship Prince Edward Henry Wedderburn for Bengal.

4. Arrived Snow DonCarlos, Balea, from Ingeram.

— Recd by Tappies, General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 1st. Instant.

— Sailed Ship Shirley Richard Finley, for Bengal.

5. Recd by Peons General Letter from Pondicherry dated the 2d. Inst.

— Arrived Ship Ganges, John Gould, from Bengal.

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AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. ALEXANDER WYNCH.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 7th.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

THE Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th. Ulto. read and sign'd.

Mr. Charles Bourchier reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Compt. — Hospital reported.

General Letters read Vizt. — General letters read.

No. 184 and 186 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 29th. September advising the stores &ca. being landed from the Kent they dispatch her to Us. The other dated the 1st. Instant acknowledging the receit of Our several Letters dated the 18th. 23d. 25 & 27th. Ulto. acquainting Us that 'tis impossible for them to get any Cloth cured for the Norfolk's dispatch and desiring Our directions whether to send up any brown. That his Majestys Train being in want of Tumbrils they desire We will send all We can spare, That they are in great want of the stores they have Indented for, particularly Timber & plank That Captain Donald Campbell has resign'd his Commission and they have appointed Lieutenant Merryman to take Charge of the Garrison, for the present. — From Fort St. David.

No. 185 from Messrs. James Waller, James Collison and Richard Nelly Supra Cargo's of the Sandwich from Europe to Mocha advising that not being able to find Merchants to take their Bill on Bombay they have been oblig'd to draw on us on the Honble Companys Account for twenty four thousand (24000) Spanish Dollars payable at 5 days sight to Captain Richard Finley. — From the Supra Cargo's of the Sandwich at Mocha.

No. 187 from the Govr. and Council of Pondicherry dated the 2d. Instant representing that an Officer of one of their Ships, having carried off the Boat and five of the Crew, they request that in Case they should have taken refuge here or at Fort St. David they might be delivered up as such Actions if they are left unpunish'd would be of dangerous consequences to our Ships as well as theirs. — From Pondicherry.

No. 188 from the President and Council of Bengal dated 12th. September, advising that they have laden on the Ganges some packing Stuff and Baftaes for Our use that they will comply with the remainder of Our Indent by some other Conveyances and then send us a supply of Gunpowder. That they send us a packet to be forwarded to Our Honble Masters, being a Duplicate of what they have sent us by the Cuddalore and is to go in January if that by the Cuddalore arrives safe with Us. — From Bengal.

AGREED that all the Tumbrils that can be spared be sent to Fort St. David for the use of his Majestys Forces. — Tumbril to be sent to St. David.

ORDERED that a Captains Commission be drawn out for Alexander Callender Esqr. in the room of Captain Donald Campbell who has resign'd. — Captns Comission ordered for Alexr. Callender Esqr.

The Bill of Exchange drawn by Messrs. Waller Collison and Nelly from Mocha for ℔ 24000 as advised in their Letter read this day being presented ORDERED that it be paid at the rate those Dollars produce in the Company's Mint. — Bill from the Supra Cargoes accepted and paid.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1754* —

An officer & 5 Men with a Boat demanded by the French.

THE Officer and Men with the Boat mention'd by the Governour and Council of Pondichery in their Lr̃e read this day, having taken Refuge under Our Flag it is AGREED not to deliver them up, but that they be sent to Bb̃y or Bengal and to write the Gentlemen at Pondichery that as the said Officer and Men put themselves under Our protection We could not refuse it, but that the Boat shall be delivered to whomsoever they may appoint to take Charge of it.

The Boat to be dd but not the Men.

Report from the West coast committee.

The Committee for Affairs relating to the West Coast of Sumatra lay before the Board as entered hereafter their Report of the proceedings of the Supra Vizors and in General touching the Management of Our Hoñble Masters concerns on that Island which is approved and thereupon it is AGREED.

Approved.

Mr. Pybus continued Supravizor.

That Mr. John Pybus be continued in the Supra Vizorship to see the Regulations that have been made carried into Execution.

The Appointmt. of a Deputy Govr. submitted to the Company.

That Mr. Combes's Request to succeed to the Chair there be submitted to Our Hoñble Masters.

A Felon to be sent home.

That Josias Smith now a prisoner at Fort Marlbr̃o charg'd with a Murder of a Coffrey Woman be sent to England.

Allowances to Mr. Hindley & Mr. Massey.

That Mr. Hindley the late Deputy Govr. be allowed fifty Dollars a Month till our Hoñble Masters pleasure be known and Mr. Massey thirty Dollars a Month.

Mr. Combes to refund the advanc'd price on stores bought & sold.

That Mr. Combes be oblig'd to pay to the Company the advanc'd Price for which he sold Sundry stores purchas'd out of the Companys Storehouse, in the same manner as Messrs. Gunn Tottie and Idell.

Captns Pay recd by Captn Lieut. Gabbet not to be refunded.

That the pay Capt̃n Lieut. Gabbet rec̃d as Captain be not demanded of him as he enjoy'd it by the Authority of his Superiours.

Mr. Coales's Estate not to be charged with Deficiencys.

That Mr. Coales Estate be not charg'd with any deficiencys as the Account Remains was not taken till, some time after his death and after another person had been in charge of the storehouse.

A Cargo of Salt to be sent to Fort Marlbr̃o in Janry.

That a Cargo of Salt be consign'd to them from hence in January, and to that End, that the Gentlemen at Bengal be desired to send us up a Ship early.

A Ship to be sent us from Bengal for that purpose.

& a Ship sent directly from thence in Decr. to take in the surplus pepper & sundys to be sent on her.

That the Gentlemen at Bengal be also desired to send a Ship in December or early in January to the West Coast to take in their Surplus Pepper, and by that Conveyance to consign to the Supravizors and Council, the Stores We have already intended for and express'd to be for their use and also 800 Gallons of Oyl in Jarrs if procurable, 80 Chests of Ophuim and 250 Barrells of Gunpowder.

A sloop of 50 Tons & 3 Teak long Boats to be purchas'd for the West Coast.

That We shall when an Opportunity offers purchased Vessell of about 50 Tons and two or three Teak Long Boats for the use of Fort Marlbr̃o and Subordinates.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1754* —

No Supravizor to be sent to assist Mr. Pybus.

IT being proposed to the Consideration of the Board whether another Supravizor should not be sent to the West Coast to assist Mr. Pybus, and thereupon the List of Servants being called for and Read.

Reasons for it.

THE Board are of opinion that there is not one of sufficient Capacity and Experience for such a Charge who can at present be spared from this Coast without prejudice to the Companys Affairs.

Messrs. Walsh and Vansittart permitted to send Ophium to the West Coast.

Letter from Messrs. Walsh and Vansittart read as entered hereafter requesting permission to send nine Chests of Ophium to the West Coast, which they have provided agreeable to Indent from thence.

AGREED that they have permission to send the same on the Prince Geo. as it was provided before the prohibition was publish'd but that henceforward no more be allow'd.

Report survey of the Norfolk.

Captains Edward Burman, Thomas Savage and Francis Taylor, their Report being read setting forth that they have survey'd the Ship Norfolk and that she is in a proper Condition to take in her Cargo for Europe.

Goods to be sent on board.

ORDERED that the Export Wareho.kr. send Bales on board and the Commander be served with an order to receive them and usual Caution against Fire &ca.

Captn. Bonham requests 12 Tons of Redwood on half Freight Granted.

Letter from Captain Pinson Bonham read as entered hereafter requesting to be indulg'd with 12 Tons of Redwood on ½ Freight, the same is granted for the reasons he offers.

Captn. Mainwaring Request an Advance for the use of the Colchester.

Letter from Captain Roger Mainwaring read as entered hereafter, representing that the Repairs of the Colchester have exceeded the sum We advanc'd him for that purpose and requesting a further supply of three thousand Pagodas on Account of the said Ship.

Granted.

AGREED that the sum requested be advanced Captain Mainwaring not on Charter party Terms but on a sett of Bills to be drawn by him on his Charter party Owners, at the Companys Exchange of seven shillgs. and eight pence ℔ Pagoda with such Interest as shall be settled between the Court of Directors and her said Owners.

Draft from the Accompt. Genl.

A Draught is now presented to the Board drawn by the Accountant General for four hundred and forty six Pagodas thirteen fanams and forty Cash (446. 13. 40) payable to Stephen Marturus Account the Estate of Bobjohn Mattheus.

Order'd to be paid.

ORDERED that the same be paid accordingly.

Nabob Annaverde Cawn presents the Company with a Nobet.

THE President acquaints the Board the Nabob Annaverde Cawn hath sent a * Nobet, which was offered by him accepted in Consultation the 6th. May, and lays before the Board as entered an Account of the Charges of maintaining the same amounting to four hundred and thirty nine Rupees ℔ Month AGREED that the same be defray'd out of the produce of the poonemalee Jaguir.

Provisions not to pay any duty coming into the Bounds.

IT being represented to the Board that the Renter of the Poonemalee Country Exacts a Duty upon horned Cattle brought into the Bounds contrary to former Custom and therefore contrary to his Cowle ORDERED that no Dutys in future be demanded on any Cattle and provisions brought into the Bounds.

Charges dieting soldiers ℔ Colchester. Ordered to be paid.

AN Account is now presented to the Board from Captain Roger Mainwaring for dieting of Soldiers transported in his Ship from place to place in India amounting to £. 346. 2sh. The same being examined is found just ORDERED that the Paymaster discharge the same.

* Instruments of music or a band sounding at the gateway of a greatman at intervals—*Wilson's Glossary*, page 371.

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Drums for Bengal ℔ Norfolk to be detain'd here.

There being great want of Drums for the use of the Army AGREED that three Casks containing six Drums consign'd to Bengal ℔ Norfolk be detain'd here.

Bengal Packet ℔ Norfolk open'd & the Charter party taken out.

The Charter party of the Ship Norfolk being enclos'd in the packet to Bengal, the same is now open'd, the Charter party taken out, and the packet immediately seal'd up again.

Cash accot. read.

THE President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance compared with the Chest twenty five thousand four hundred and fifteen Pagodas, six fanams & eight Cash (25415. 6. 8) & five hundred and six Madss Pagodas twenty one fanams and thirty five Cash (506. 21. 35) which is carried forward.

Treasury Accounts read.

THE Treasury Accounts are also read the several Ballances being compared and found right are Vizt. Silver twenty Chests and one quarter (20¼) containing five thousand eight hundred and ninety-five pounds and ten penny weights (5895.—.10) Gold five Chests containing sixteen thousand two hundred and forty-two Ounces, five Pennywgts. and eight Grains (16242. 5. 8) Arcot Rupees thirty five thousand and three, twelve Annaes and nine pice (35003. 12. 9).

Madras Rupees three thousand two hundred & thirty five (3235) AND Current Pagodas fifty two thousand (52000) all which are carried forward.

Sundry Dispatches signd.

The following Dispatches are now Sign'd Vizt.

General Letter to Fort St. David
General Letter to Bombay
} ℔ Warren.

Dispatch to Captain Alphonsus Glover of the Warren to Fort. St. David and Bombay.

Money paid in By the sea Customr. & Import Wareho.kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer, pays in eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas on his running Account.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in four thousand (4000) Pagodas in Gold From the Treasury and sixteen thousand and thirty two Pagodas, thirty five fanams and seventy one Cash (16032. 35. 71) for Rupees sold.

Advance to the Commissary.

AGREED that five thousand six hundred and twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty Cash (5621. 22. 30) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1754

Madras Pagodas.

Dr. Cr.

September					September			
1	To Ballance brought from last Months acct. ..	3000	—	—	14th.	By Vizagapatam sent thither by the Anson ..	5000	—	—
9	To the Honble Compys Cash for so much recd. from the Treasury	22506	21	35	—	By Ingeram Factory sent to Vizagapatm by Do.	10000	—	—
					—	By Maddapollam Factory, sent to Vizagapatam by the Anson	10000	—	—
					30	By Ballance carried to next Month's acct. ..	506	21	35
	Mss Pags. ..	25506	21	35		Mss Pagods. ..	25506	21	35

Errors Excepted

℔ Thomas Saunders.

The Honble United Companys Cash.

Dr. Contra. Cr.

September					September			
1	To Ballance brought from last Month's account	14486	15	51	1st.	By John Smith, Military Paymaster, advanc'd him to pay the Military	5540	19	36
2	To Henry Powney, Sea Customer, recd of him on his running Account	1000	—	—	2d.	By John Smith Paymaster, advanc'd him for sundry Disbursements	3000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd. of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe	7000	—	—	—	By Alexander Wynch, storekeeper, advanced him to pay Impress and Wages ℔ Prince George	2021	22	30
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. recd of him for Rupees sold	6643	8	60	—	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	7621	22	30
5th.	To Estate of Peter Love, recd of Mr. Alexander Wynch by Order of Captain George Gardner Account the said Estate	276	33	5	—	By Alexander Wynch, Commissary, advanc'd him for a Remittance to Camp	10000	—	—
9	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe	8000	—	—	9th.	By Charles Turner Steward, advanc'd him to provide necessarys for supplying the Admiral &ca. Tables	1000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd of him for Rupees sold	3243	8	60	—	By Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. advanc'd him to pay for Sundry Curiosities for the King of Tanjore Acct. the Deve-Cotah Annual present for five years as ℔ Consultation 2d. Instant	3736	25	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer, received of him on his running Account	2100	—	—					
	Carried over ..	42749	30	16		Carried over ..	32920	17	16

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..	42749	30	16
9	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd of him from the Treasury	22506	21	35
—	To Rayal Pundat Renter of the Poonemalee Country, recd of him in full of the Rent due on that Cowle expiring 30th. June last ..	7500	—	—
23rd.	To Henry Powney, Import Warehousekeeper, recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe	22600	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. recd of him for Rupees sold	3243	8	60
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer, recd of him on his running Account	1000	—	—
—	To Claud Russell Accountant-General of the Mayors Court, recd of the Register of the said Account the Cause Agamanu Seera a Busy, versus Seida Shaik Mossu	408	28	40
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chittee Beetle and Tobacco Farmers, recd of them one Months Rent of that farm due the 1st. August last	666	24	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence, recd of them one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. August last ..	333	12	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Measuring Duty, recd of them in full for two Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant ..	166	24	—
30	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho. k. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe	10000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. recd of him for Rups. sold	3243	8	60
—	To Batta gain'd by the Exchange of 1000 Pagodas into fans. at 42 fanams ℔ Pagoda.	166	24	—

CONTRA—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..	32920	17	16
9th.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	6243	8	60
—	By the Committee, for conducting the Works, advanc'd them for providing Bricks &c . ..	1000	—	—
—	By Claud Russell Accountant General, paid the following Draughts Account the Estate of Coja Mirzam decd Vizt.			
	One payable to Muckatoon Mirzam for .. .. 1'ags. 135 33 40			
	One payable to Shundra Shakeer Naigue for .. 17 4 40			
		153	2	—
—	By Madras Pagodas, recd from the Treasury as ℔ Contra	22506	21	35
23d.	By Charles Boddam, Export Warehousekr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ	3000	—	—
—	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him for the Charges of the Troops abroad	9243	8	60
—	By Alexander Wynch Commissary advanc'd him for a Remittance to Camp	10000	—	—
—	By Charles Bourchier Mility Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	3600	—	—
—	By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court, paid the following Draughts Account sundry Persons unknown by order of Consultation 16th. Instt. Vizt.			
		P.	f.	c.
	1 payble. to John Smith Esq. att. for Richd. Starke Esq. for ..	96	12	6
	1 do. to Mr. Andrew Munro for	149	—	—
	1 do. to Mr. Ann Walton for	29	23	22
		274	35	28

30	To Bills of Exchange, recd for two Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at their Stated Exchange payable at 90 days Sight as follow—							
		£. s. d.		Pag.	fa.	ca.		
1	To David DeCastro or Order value of David Lopes Fernandes & Saml. De Castro in part return for a Box of Pearls mark'd M. No. 2 imported ℔ Essex Anno 1750 ..	383 6 8		1000	—	—		
1	To James Burnet or Order value of Lieut. Mr. Burnet.	30 — —		78	9	31		
2	setts amounting to	£413 6 8		or			1078	9 31
—	To Charles Boddam late Paym.. recd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month.						648	2 23
—	To Alexander Wynch Storekr. recd of him in part of the Ballance of that Account for last Month						1000	— —
—	To John Smith late Land Customer, recd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month						586	8 62
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGS. ..						117897	22 7

25	By Account Salary, paid the Honble Companys Servants their Salary for the last six Months ending this day	1919	8	10
30	By Alexandr. Wynch Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	1621	22	30
		92482	15	79
—	By Ballance carried to next Month's Account.	25415	6	8
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGODS. ..	117897	22	7

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

—— FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1754 ——

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Having been inform'd that no Ophium will be shipp'd on the Prince George for the West Coast on the Honble Company Account, we request permission to send nine chests which We provided agreeable to Indents from some of the Honble Companys Servants on that Establishment We are with great respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and
most Humble Servants
John Walsh.
Henry Vansittart.

Fort St. George
7th. October 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Conformable to an Order sent us by your Secretary We have been on board the Ship Norfolk and having examin'd her find she is in a proper Condition to take on board the Honble Company's Cargo for Europe.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient servants
Edward Burman.
Thomas Savage.
Francis Taylor.

Fort St. George
October the 7th. 1754.

To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Charter Party Redwood not being sufficient for Donnage in which Cases it has been usual for the Commander to supply the same with Rattans on his Indulgence, but there being none procurable at present, I request your Honour &ca. Council will be pleas'd to grant me twelve Tons of Redwood on half freight.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hble Servt.
Pinson Bonham.

Fort St. George
the 7th. October 1754.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

My Expences at Batavia for refitting the Colchester having greatly exceeded the Sum which your Honours was pleas'd to grant me for that purpose, I have now to request your Honours would be pleasd to assist me wih a further supply of three thousand Pagodas on Account of the said Ship Colchester, and I have the Honour to remain

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant
Roger Mainwaring.

Fort St. George
4th. October 1754.

List of the Musicians belonging to the Noubet presented by Nabob Annaverde Cawn and their Monthly Wages agreed to be allowed by Abdul Bob Cawn Commencing the 10th. September 1754.

		Rupees.
2	Men who beat the Nagar upon the Elephant @. Rup. 9 ℔ Mo.	18 — —
4	Do. who beat the Dankas or small Kettle Drums upon 4 Horses Vizt. 1 20 ℔ Month 1 15 do. 2 @. R. 10 ea. 20 — — 4 Men	55 — —
4	Men who play upon the Sourna or the Country pipes upon four Horses Vizt. 2 @ R. 24 ea. 48 2 @ 16 ea. 32 — — 4 Men	80 — —
3	Who blow the Carnas or Trumpets with a broad Mouth upon 3 Horses @ Rupees 10 ea.	30 — —
1	Man who blows the Turay or large Trumpet upon a Horse	10 — —
2	Do. who play upon the Jangey or Gingling Musick at Rups. 9 ea.	18 — —
1	Elephant Keeper with his Assistant	12 — —
6	Horsekeepers to take care of the 12 Horses @ Rups. 6 ea.	36 — —
23	Men Rupees ..	259 — —
	Feeding 1 Elephant, and 12 Horses belonging to the Noubet @ Rups. 6 ℔ diem amounts Monthly to	180 —
	Rupees ..	439 — —

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having carefully perused the Several Books, Papers, Letters and Accounts transmitted from the West Coast, We now lay before you Our Remarks thereon.

First Concerning Shipping.

The Loss of Passages by Ships Godolphin and Dragon, as to Our Honble Masters the expences from hence arising must be considerable and the disappointment great, requires your particular consideration, it is occasion'd by their late dispatch from thence or more properly arriving there so much out of Season, as to render it impossible for those Gentlemen to have prevented it, in future the Ships design'd to take in the Surplus Pepper should sail from Bengal the beginning of December and make no deviation on this Coast, they will probably arrive at the West Coast the beginning of January and leave it Febry by which means their Passage round the Cape will be secure, particular Orders should be given to the Gentlemen there not to detain them an hour more than necessary.

There has always been a difficulty in transporting the Pepper from Subordinate Factories notwithstanding the many Steps taken to remedy it still it subsists; the use of Country Boats will by no means, answer the purpose, they are unskillfully navigated, often drove ashore and wreck'd hence great Losses. The Provision of European small Vessells has at times been abundantly supplied, but for want of proper care, ill conduct and an application of them to private Emolument, these endeavours have proved fruitless; the means that appear to us most likely to remove these Obstacles are, that the Ship from Europe (as is usual) continue to make her Trip to the Northward, where she will take in all the Pepper at Laye, Bental, Priamong, Ippoe and Moco Moco on her return to Marlbre, what on hand there will be put on board, and she may after proceeding to Manna, Cawoor or Croee, receive her Ultimate dispatches for Europe, the same rule may be observed in regard to the Ships design'd for the Surplus, liable indeed to some Variation by Circumstances that cannot at this distance be foreseen; for carrying on this business in the interval Seasons, supplying the Subordinates with Stores &ca. loading and unloading vessels, 'tis the opinion of the Supra Vizors that two Sloops of 50 Tons each, and 3 Long Boats are necessary, We concurr with them, They have now sloops Mary and Swallow with three Long Boats, but one of the Sloops are so much out of Repair that it must be a considerable time before she can be of any service, which renders it necessary either to return the Cuddalore or supply them with a new one, when they are thus supplied it will very imperfectly answer the Intent if proper care be not taken to keep these Vessels in good order, the Carang or Harbour at Marlbro is capable of receiving small Vessells, but the Work for want of Materials and Artificers has as yet been experienc'd to be so tedious as to be attended with great Ill convenience. Pooloo is a fine Harbour for ships of any Burthen, its Situation extreamly unhealthy and will also be liable to the aforementioned difficulties. In the Districts of Croee, Billingbing is represented as a good Harbour, but the Violent Gusts of Wind and Stormy Weather that generally almost constantly prevail, evident from the Sloops being so frequently drove to Batavia, the distance, consequently trouble of transporting Artificers and Materials determine that this place is improper, when Marlbro is supplied with Timber and Plank from Batavia with Naval stores from hence and proper Encouragement given to Artificers, We think it would be much the fittest place, and that on Emergencies only, the Vessells should go to Batavia & then such a Restriction to be made, that under pretence of sending them to Repair they be not loaded with private Merchandize, the Masters of those

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Sloops should constantly give Receipts for what Stores they are supplied with and give in a List of them every six Months, which should be examin'd and if any deficiency, made good.

THE Indents from the West Coast are so large that the Prince George will not be able to take them on board, and as the constant demand for Salt, Rice, Iron &c^{a}. will sufficiently employ her two Trips in the Year, she should always be dispatch'd from hence the Middle or end of September and return'd to Us in January, she may proceed again in Febry and be with us in May or June, when she may be sent to Bengal, such Repair made as necessary and come up here in good time to proceed again to the West Coast, particular directions must be given that she be not detain'd there longer than to deliver her Cargoe.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

They write that by January there will be 250 Tons of surplus Pepper, immediate Advice should be given to the Gentlemen at Bengal of it, as well as to load on the Ships they may send 50 Chests of the best Patna Ophuim 250 Barrells of Gunpowder which they are greatly in want of; Gunney Baggs, Taffities, with such other Wares and Stores as are purchas'd therefor the first Cost, whereas if provided here must be at a considerable Advance.

Exclusive of their General Indent they are Annually to be supplied with 140 Garce of Salt and 400 Picul of Iron as these alone are more than Tonnage for the Prince George for 2 Trips, to prevent their want of them, some method must be taken, the Company are averse to purchasing another Vessell, a Contract might be made with private Traders to deliver it at a fix'd Price, but this will be uncertain, and a failure would greatly affect the Plan they have propos'd for Natal.

Rice and Timber & Plank may be purchas'd at Batavia and convey'd them by the Store Ship, but as the first Article is sometimes scarce and dear there, the Ship from Bengal should always fill up with it, the fine sort should be recommended and the Gunney Baggs should be good, as they will afterwards serve for Pepper.

THE small quantity of Arrack and Sugar; sent us as Musters, sold well, the Arrack at P. 36 ℔ Leaguer, They mention that they shall have 75 Leaguers of the former and 400 Péculs of the latter, which may be ordered to be shipp'd on the Prince George.

THE Coinage of Bullion for the Bay has prevented as yet, but a quantity of Copper Cash & fanams will be necessary to send them by the first Conveyance.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS.

THE Surveys of the several Districts had been mostly taken, by which there appears a prospect of a future Increase, Moco Moco, Bental, Priamong, Ippoe, Caltown, Tallo, Croee, Cawoor all had a fair appearance. They had not however kept up to the Vines usual which should be recommended, Indolence should meet with a proper Resentment and the Industrious be encouragd, Laye, Marlbro, Sillebar were in a bad condition owing to neglect the plantations at Laye are most of them of Vines of seven Years growth and no new ones as yet raised, Gumbeer is cultivated here which should be forbid or discourag'd in Marlbrō and Sillebar upwards of 1000 Families without any plantations. As the several Countries that are flourishing require a particular Attention to keep them so, these latter demand an immediate Scrutiny why they have been neglected, the Dupatties of the Different Dusans should be called upon, Contracts made with them and a ready Complyance insisted on; in short it is Generally allowed that with discreet conduct the Investment may be considerably increas'd and therefore it will be highly necessary to repeat those Salutary orders, that the Pangarans, Dupatties and Leading Men be treated with Respect, the common people

with Humanity and justice impartially administred, that the Residents at the different Subordinates be always ready to receive the Pepper as brought in and not make the planter wait that Justice be done them in the Weight and Garbling, that they be paid in ready money and not Goods forced on them at exorbitant Prices. Surveys should be constantly and regularly continued, a moderate Gratuity given to those that make them is an Encouragement well placed.

FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT &C^{A}.

Peace and Tranquillity seem to reign throughout the whole of the Companys Possessions, On the death of the Sultan of Moco Moco 'tis apprehended the Competition of his Sons for the Government may raise some Commotions, Circumspection and prudence should be recommended to stifle them in their Infancy, the Sultan of Minum Caboo is the prince of the several Countries, wherein are situated the Companys Settlements, a friendly Correspondence should be kept up and a good understanding cultivated with him; 'tis a Quare [*sic*] whether they have the necessary Grants from him for the several Establishments, if not they should by all means get them.

The Gentlemen at the West Coast should be ordered to send the whole correspondence that has pass'd between them and the General &c^{a}. Council of Batavia relative to the pretensions on Natal, for want of our Remarks cannot be so particular as We could wish it appears the Dutch Claim is founded on Conquest and a Treaty with the King of Baroos, of whose Dominions Natal is said by them to be a part, in answer to which they alledge that there is no Proof produced of this Conquest that upon the Strictest Enquiry they cannot find the least Traces of it at any period of time, and that the Dutch have never been suffered to land there, they are equally in the dark also in regard to any Treaty with the King of Baroos, tho' Chronology is not in use amongst the Natives, yet they are remarkably exact in their Oral Traditions concerning any great events, such as the Conquest of Countries, Revolutions and the Races of their Kings, by their learned Men it is generally allowed that the Sultan of Minam Caboo and King of Acheen are Sovereigns of the Dominions from Acheen to the southw^{d}. of the Line, and that there are no others independant of them, from whence 'tis inferr'd that the pretended King of Baroos can be no more than a Delegate or Viceroy and consequently not legally empower'd, by Treaty to grant or Dispose of Countries, besides the Inhabitants of Natal say they never made any Contracts with them, on the contrary had declared themselves Enemies to them from the earliest times to the day of Judgement, and the Sultan of Minam Caboo affirms they had no Grant for that place, these are the Principal Arguments made use of to shew the Weakness of the Dutch pretensions, to support their own they advance that frequent have the people of Natal invited them to settle there, that 'tis with their desire and consent, and that the sultan of Minam Caboo has confirm'd and given this Settlement to them. If the Dutch cannot bring more substantial Proofs than those already offered, We think the Claim of the English just, having recd no Letter from the General &c^{a}. Council of Batavia it is uncertain whether the Dutch will persevere in their Claim or not.

Notwithstanding the Pretensions to this settlement as far as yet appears are just yet highly inexcusable is the Conduct of the Deputy Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort Marlbro, in daring under the specious pretence of extending the Company's Limits and increasing their Pepper Investment, at a great Expence to occupy this place, purely to serve their private Interest, and support a particular Trade at their Honble Masters Cost; this is very evidently the case, they acknowledge it in saying very little Pepper is or can be procured there & now tell us that if the Company reserve to themselves an exclusive Right to the Trade of Iron Salt and Ophium & levy a Custom on piece Goods imported there, it will not only defray the Expence, but a considerable profit will arise. This by

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what the Supravizors say and We can learn is true though it does not in the least vindicate their Conduct and We think it may be greatly doubled whether if a Scrutiny had not been made, they would have ever proposed this plan, the Affairs seems too far advanc'd to retract and the Company are already considerably in Advance, without having received the least benefit, 'tis therefore Our opinion that the Settlement be continued on the proposed Terms Viz^{t}. THAT

Ophuim	50 Chests first Cost	at ℔ 200 ea.	10000	sells at 400	20000	—	—
Iron	400 Pecul	@ ℔ 4 ea.	1600	at 10	4000	—	—
Salt	100 Garce	@ ℔ 37½	3750	90	9000	—	—
		Prime cost ..	15350		33000	—	—
		N^{t}. Gains ..	17650				

These are the prices those Goods usually sell for and their Cost here except the Salt which is rated at the Marlbro price, as a want of these Articles will as it is more or less be proportionably detrimental, so care must be taken to supply them, the Iron should be long flat Barrs from 25 to 30 ea. the Salt large grained and White and the Ophuim the best Patna sort, exclusive of these piece Goods and other Articles meet with a good Sale here, on which there needs no prohibition, a Custom of 5 ℔ Cent on such as are imported may be levied, the Returns from this place are generally Benjamin, Camphire and Gold, they will afford a handsome profit at other Markets, but Gold though on it there is less Advantage, seems most proper for the Compy. The Charges of this Settlement will probably amount to Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison.			
1 Ensign ℔ annum	℔ 292 —		
2 Serjeants	243 —		
3 Corporals	257 2		
24 Cent^{s}. Europeans	1460 —		
		2552	2 [*sic*]
Country Guard.			
1 Arab Sergeant	108 —		
1 Corporal	84 —		
20 Centinels	1200 —		
1 Bugguiss Corporal	54 —		
6 d°. Centinel	252 —		
		1698	—
Charges Salary and Diet.			
1 Resident of Council	540 —		
1 Assistant	360 —		
1 Surgeon	438 —		
		1338	—
Wages and Allowances.			
1 Quarter Gunner	36 —		
1 Malay Writer	48 —		
1 Carpenter	72 —		
		156	—
Charges Slaves allowing to	..	360	—
Charges General, for Gunpowder Lamp Oyl and sundry small stores ..	..	180	—
Charges Extraordinary	..	120	—
Building and Repairs.			
Repairing Old, erecting New with Contingent Charges	..	1395	2
Annual Charge P^{r}. ..		7500	—

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The Supravizors are of opinion that by selling the ophium at a low price (50 ℔ Cent) would in time occasion a considerable Ophuim Trade at this place, it may do so, and We can make this Regulation when We please, We conceive but too many reasons will be alledg'd for diminishing prices, but very few for raising them and judge it best to sell them for the most they will fetch, the success of this scheme will depend greatly on the faithful execution of it, which should be strongly enforced, and as a Complyance will always meet with suitable Encouragement so should it be declared that an Infringement will be immediately resented by a Suspension from the Service; Publick Notice should be given at Marlbro and its Subordinates that an exclusive right of selling Ophuim Iron and Salt is placed with the Company only, and whosoever is detected vending these Articles, if a covenanted Servant shall be suspended the Service, if a Person in the Seafaring or any other way, deprived of their Employs and excluded from the privilege of the Company's protection.

Sinkell a Port contiguous to Natal is remarkable for a Villanous set of people, who attempt to Masacre the Crews and seize such Vessells as they can over power, 'Tis a part of the Dominions of the King of Acheen, who Annually sends his Vessells to this Coast and sometimes to Our Port, We correspond with him in a friendly manner, may remonstrate to him these Insults and at the same time declare if they are not prevented We shall be oblig'd much against Our Inclination to make Reprisals.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

We are sorry to observe that almost the whole of the Fortifications and Buildings at the several Settlem^{ts}. are in a bad condition, and that several Additional ones are wanting, this is attributed to unskillfullness of Artificers & perishable Materials; those probably bad in their kind & to these reasons We think can be added want of proper care in suffering them thus to run to decay, it is recommended that substantial Materials be in future made use of & that an Engineer is absolutely requisite to direct, the defect is so general, the Expence must be so great and the supply of Artificers and Materials, such unsurmountable difficulties that We think it should be referr'd to Our Honble Masters and for the present the illconveniencys removed as appear most immediately material, these seem to be Accomodations for servants Civil and Military, a Grainery and necessary Storehouses, and the Buildings at Subordinates have only the absolute requisite Repair, but no new ones to be erected.

The fixed Revenues have been increased by an Advance on the Ophium Licence of 147. 2 and on that of the Arrack & 170 ℔ Month the Increase on this of the Arrack is very particularly considerable which will be taken notice of when We speak of Deficiencys.

THE Supravizors have made a Regulation of settling a Duty of 5 ℔ cent on all Imports except those in the Manifest which pay only 2, what may come from Natal and from other Subordinates they rate at 2 ℔ Cent We Judge it would be best to put this Settlement at once on the same footing as most in India Viz^{t}.

THAT a Duty of 5 ℔ Cent be collected on all Goods imported at Fort Marlbro, whether by Companys Servants or Others, that the Quantities and Sortment be manifested but the Duty collected on the Marlbro prices, in regard to such Goods as come from Natal &c^{a}. as they are for exportation the Duty of 5 ℔ Cent be levy'd either on their Import or Export as they see convenient, and that all Goods transported from Vessell to Vessell in the road, be liable to this Custom, for the preventing of fraudulent Practice it may be publish'd that all Goods Clandenstinely landed will be confiscated, and whoever gives Information of and detects such Goods shall be entitled to 1/3 of them as a Reward, there has been a prohibition on the Importation of Bugguess Clouting, a Sortment of Goods which must hurts the Coast Trade, it has been taken off and in it's stead a Duty of 15 ℔ Cent substituted.

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It will not be improper under this Head to mention the Arrack and Sugar Works, represented by the SupraVizors and Council to be in a flourishing condition and capable of great Improvements, that the Undertakers are industrious Chineese, Men without a Capital, if not supported in Advances of money by the Company as all Works of this Nature require in their Infancy large Disbursements, uncapable untill they are brought to some perfection to render adequate Returns, it must fall to the Ground, These Advances they are of opinion may be made with little Risque to Our Honble Masters Estate, as it is Agreed that for what Arrack and Sugar they furnish 1/3 of the Amount shall be carried to the Credit of their Debt by which means it will be gradually diminish'd and in about four Years totally paid off the premium on this loan of 10 ℔ Cent is judg'd to fall very heavy on them, which We think may be as an encouragement reduced to 5, and Advances with great Caution made them; their Request also for being supplied from Europe with Utensils on an Advance of 25 ℔ Cent may be granted, and every other fitting Encouragement given them; notwithstanding the flourishing Condition of these Works and the Appearance of Improvement by which the Undertakers will very probably have their Industry handsomely rewarded by large profit, yet the Gentlemen seem to have been so wholly engag'd with this fair Prospect, as not to extend their Views and enquiry to what Advantages will arise to Our Honble Masters or rather whether they may not be sufferers. Arrack of 150 Gallons to the Leaguer is generally sold for, from 40 to 45 Rix Dollars and good sugar at 4½ to 5 ℔ Pecul at Batavia, the former at the West Coast is invoiced at 60 Spanish Dollars ℔ Leaguer of 160 Gallons and the latter 5 ℔ Pecul, the prices here are variable also as they are more or less in Demand from 35 to 40 for the Arrack and from 13 to 15 Pagodas ℔ Candy The Sugar may be reckon'd a Medium, so that if the first Cost of these articles at the West Coast will not allow a profit equal to the risque, freight, Charges Merchandize & Leakage, the Company must evidently be sufferers; when the West Coast and Batavia prices are compared this may be reasonably demanded that We may be the better able to prevent the Contractors debt from swelling instead of diminishing an Account Current with them should be constantly transmitted as well as an Accot. of the Annual produce of these Works.

Sixthly of Factors Writers Military Officers and their Accounts.

We now lay before the Material regarding the particular Charge of Our Honble Masters to the Supravizors Vizt. that they had been assured their late Deputy Govr. Mr. Hurlock had quitted his Station to Mr. Hindley in consideration of a Sum of money given to him for that purpose " that if they found it true to dismiss him from their Service, whether it was a Sum of money paid or to be paid, whether a Debt or Debt to be forgiven or desperate Debt or Debts to be taken off, or a pecuniary consideration in any Shape what ever, it amounted to the same and they should proceed accordingly, as the putting a Stop to such Shamefull corruption was one of the principal Views in sending Supravizors to the West Coast " The Supravizors accordingly in Consultation of the 26th. December opened the Charge against Robert Hindley Esqr. and desired the several Members would inform them what they knew of this Affair, the 31st. Messrs. Massey, Combes and Gun addressed the Board, the Substance of their Letters were Mr. Combes declares Mr. Smith offered Mr. Hurlock 4000 Dollars to quit the Government which was refused, that afterwards an Agreement was sign'd by Messrs. Hurlock Massey and Smith in behalf of themselves and Mr. Hindley to take Mr. Hurlocks goods at Prime Cost and his Malay Debts, Mr. Massey affirms to the same purpose, Mr. Gun makes no mention of the Offer of 4000 ℔ but conforms the Contract and is more particular in regard to the Goods and Debts it appears very near the whole of the Moco Moco Debts have been paid half of those at Marlbro̅ recover'd, that the concern in the Fanny, Goods ℔ Brilliant and furniture were charg'd at reasonable prices, some others are

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said to be old and some damag'd, after these Circumstances were examin'd into the Opinion of the Board were collected. Messrs. Tottie and Gun declare they do not think it a pecuniary Consideration, Mr. Marriot the same but with this Addition, that according to the Companys mention of it he look'd upon it in that light. The sentiments of Messrs. Jack, Smith and Combes are in the affirmative, when the Supra Vizors upon Messrs. Massey and Combes taking their Oath that they heard Mr. Smith offer Mr. Hurlock 4000 Dollars to quit the Government deliver it as their Judgement that Mr. Hindley had given a pecuniary Reward to Mr. Hurlock therefore conformable to the Commands of Our Honble Masters they dismiss'd, him the service, Mr. Hindley alledges in his defence that he never heard of the offer of 4000 Dollars; its certain he was not on the Spot, 'tis true he impower'd Mr. Smith with an implicit confidence to act for him. He is generally reckon'd a Worthy honest Man, but by Misfortunes is so much involved that by this alone, he is according to the Company's Orders excluded from any pretensions to their Service, having delivered his Affairs into the Hands of Trustees, and being deprived of all support, he petition'd for an Allowance which the Supra Vizors have granted him (₱50 ℔ Month) it lies in your breast Gentlemen to recommend him as an object of that inestimable prerogative of Our Honble Masters (to shew Compassion to the unfortunate).

In Consulation of the 12th. January the Supra Vizors observe to Mr. Combes that he was not only privy to the Contract, but that it is in his own hand Writing and Witness'd by himself and therefore desire to know how he can reconcile his not making a publick Representation of it with the Duty he owes to the Company, to which he replies that the persons concern'd were a Majority of the Board, that the Contract was in their hands consequently he could bring no other proof than his declaration on Oath, which might have been overawed, that he cannot think this would have prevented it might indeed have induced them to transact the Affair more secretly, and that he took the first Opportunity of advising his Masters of it. Though Mr. Combes in a private Capacity may be greatly censur'd, he did his Duty in acquainting the Company of this Contract, it would indeed have been more conformable to their Orders had he immediately disclos'd it, by which many personal Reflections would have been prevented, very probably the Contract dropp'd and therefore he seems so far blameable.

Mr. Combes made application to the Supra Vizors & has address'd the presidency to succeed to the Vacancy occasion'd by Mr. Hindleys Dismission alledging a service of 20 years, being next in Standing, his many Services on an Embasy to Benjan an Expedition to Pooloo Pisang, wherein he acquired the Croee Districts and his Residence at Batavia as Agent during the French War. Our Honble Masters mention this Year, Mr. Combes with Marks of Approbation and therefore becomes matter of Consideration of this Board whether during the Commission of the Supra Vizors being in force the Appointment of a Deputy Govr. is necessary, and whether Mr. Combes's Standing and Services do not entitle him to the Succession.

Mr. John Massey Paymaster had before the arrival of the Supra Vizors been dismiss'd the Service, Upon Request his Case was reheard and full Liberty given him to make his defence, when Neglect, Embezlimt. of Materials appeared so clear, to which adding his being concern'd in the Contract with Mr. Hurlock, his Dismission was confirm'd and the Amount of the several over Charges and deficiencys demanded of him, which being unable to comply with, he delivered over his Effects into the Hands of Trustees. Messrs. John Douglas and Robt. Nairne, who took their Oaths to render a just Account of the same. Mr. Massey Addresses the presidency hoping that in Consideration of long Services his Allowances may be continued him, As the Supra Vizors mention that a bad Example from his predecessors probably had greatly influenc'd him in his

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Conduct as Paymastr. by which he might in many respects plead Custom, It is left to your Honour &ca. Consideration whether you will please to allow him ℔ 30 ℔. Month till Our Honble Masters pleasure be known.

Mr. Daniel Tottie offers to this presidency a Complaint of great Injustice done him in the Appointment of Mr. Darval to the Residency of Manna to his prejudice being in Station superiour, and not offering any pretensions to it 'till he was by Standing intitul'd it appears something particular that Mr. Darval should enjoy the Secretarys Employ at Marlbro and that of the Residency of Manna at the same time, Stations greatly inconsistent with each other, for they both certainly require a constant Attendance on the Spott, Mr. Tottie We observe has a Seat at the Board, and though We would not propose it as a General Rule never to admit of an Exception that Merit and Capacity may sometimes take place, yet as Superiour Stations are certainly the Reward of long Services We are of opinion that very just reasons should be given for any Deviation from the General Rule, for if partiality takes place great Abuses may succeed, if no just objection can be alledg'd, We do not see why Mr. Tottie should not succeed, that a Secretary whose presence is absolutely necessary, at the same time to be appointed Resident at Manna, is a Transaction very particular.

Captn. Lieut. Gabbot by the Deputy Govr. directions drew for Captns pay and did Duty as such, he has been ordered to refund as it appears he acted by the Order of his Superiours, We think this a Hardship and that he is entitled to the pay. The Company in their General Letter to Fort Marlbro mention they have ordered an Officer from St. Helena otherwise Captain Lieutenant Gabbots Conduct seem to entitle him to the vacancy.

Josiah Smith a Soldier has been tried for the Murder of Farroo a Coffrey Woman and found guilty of the Fact, he remains in prison for Orders from hence.

Under the denomination of a Court of Judicature the Supra Vizors have appointed a Court consisting of the Members of the Council or any three of them (who have taken their Oaths to administer Justice impartially) to meet every Tuesday to decide all matters of property under the sum of ℔ 200 between Europeans, Chinese &ca. Inhabitants & that in Causes exceeding ℔ 50 an Appeal may be made to the Deputy Govr. &ca. Council also to enquire into all petty Crimes and Misdemeanours and upon Conviction to inflict Corporal Punishment, that the Fees of the Officers of this Court were to be settled—To create a Court of Judicature seems to be of so serious a nature, & what they have certainly no Authority to make or we to confirm, that it would be prudent immediately to set it aside & in its stead that We order the Deputy Govr. &ca. Council to meet once a week to hear all Causes of Property, and to enquire into all petty Crimes in regard to property, if between Europeans they may be recommended to Arbitration, if between Natives three of the Head Men may be joined with the Deputy Govr. &ca. Council and the Cause be decided, but it ought to be strongly enforced to them both in Cases of Property and Misdemeanour where Europeans are concern'd to act conformable to the Laws of the Nation and upon no Account to deviate from them.

SEVENTHLY OF ACCOUNTS.

In perusing the Consultations after the Arrival of the Supravizors, the first that presents is that in receiving the Cash there appears a Surplus of ℔ 699. 3 upon Mr. Hindley and the other Gentlemen in Council being called upon to declare what they know of it. It appears that on receit of the Bullion from Europe they computed each Bag at 1000 Dollars, brought it in to Account on this footing and took the Overplus. For how many Years this Custom has prevailed & the Advantages that have arose on it is impossible to assertain, The

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Surplus is now brought to the Credit of Account Current Fort S^{t}. George—In future the Treasure should be counted in presence of the Deputy Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Council immediately after the receipt of it.

There appeared on the Books a Ballance of Copper Cash of ℔ 410. –. 16 and not a Single one remaining upon enquiry it could be fixed no where and therefore the whole Board ordered to pay it, it was not collected; Care should be taken that it be, and in future it may be a Head on the Warehouse Books Credited Monthly for what delivered out as sold and be under his Charge.

In reading the Cash Account for June there appeared a deficiency of 579. –. 83 The Supra Vizors and Gentlemen having keys to the Chest, it could not be accounted for and was therefore made good by them all. This is a Convincing Proof of the Effects of Irregularity and lead us to take notice, that We dont observe the Cash Accounts for April, May, June and July entered as is usual after Consultation.

The Supra Vizors on being offered ℔ 300 for the Arrack Licence very justly enquired how it came before to be let only for ℔ 130, and were answered it was put up at Outcry and bought in by M^{r}. Hindley and M^{r}. Harlock at ℔ 130, The Gentlemen of Council were of opinion the Outcry was unfair and therefore the difference demanded of M^{r}. Hindley and M^{r}. Hurlocks Attorneys.

It appears a Custom has prevailed of selling the Company's Stores to Inhabitants and others at so large an Advance on the Company's price as 40 ℔ Cent, Mess^{rs}. Gunn, Tottie and Idell have paid into Cash on that Account ℔ 391. 1. 96 M^{r}. Combes also has dealt very largely that way, but alledging that agreeable to an Indulgence granted by the Company he bought them on his own Account and afterwards sold them on his own to the Natives therefore no demand has been made on him, which is extraordiñy as the others might have alledg'd the same, it should therefore be demanded and explain'd to those Gentlemen that if the storekeeper knowing the Company are in want of Articles, purchases them first on his own Account & then sells them to the Company at an Advanc'd Price, if knowing many articles are in Demand, he takes them in his Name out of the Storehouse and sells them at an Advance price, leaving those that may possibly lay a considerable time, he acts upon a wrong principle and abuses the Indulgence to their servants to take out of their Magazines such things as they may want for their own use at a moderate price, M^{r}. Combes we think ought to pay the Over Charge.

In taking the remains of the Storehouse several Deficiencys arise amounting to ℔ 5591. 2. 8 after the strictest Scrutiny they have not been able to fix them directly on any one, but Mess^{rs}. Raine, Massey, Coales & Hampton having been the Storekeepers, they charg'd each with such a part as they thought just and demanded the Amount, but as We observe that the Supra Vizors and Gentlemen all allow M^{r}. Henry Coals to be an honest assiduous Man and that the Remains were not taken till after his Death, six Months consequently the care of the Storehouse must have been in other hands for that time, We are of opinion he cannot be justly charg'd with any part and therefore think the Bonds taken from the Exõr should be return'd, a Remain Book interchangeably sign'd will prevent the like in future.

In regarbling it is represented there is quantity of light pepper not fit to be mixed with that for Europe, The Question is what becomes of it.

In regard to the several Deficiencys &c^{a}. We shall only add that if the Supravizors on the Spot are not able to trace out under whose Management they have arose much less are We, Impartial Jutsice should direct them, and when our Honble Masters have been injured all lawful means shou'd be made use of for obtaining proper Satisfaction.

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As to the Deputy Govr. and Paymaster, We believe Deputy Govrs. & Paymasters from the Commencement of the Settlement have enjoy'd Advantages, nor do We see amongst all the Gentlemen there any one that has scrupled taking them in their Employs, probably had they been in the same Stations would have acted just the same, while these Emoluments were moderate, We believe Our Hoñble Masters would not disapprove them, but when they exceed, a Reform is absolutely necessary.

The Reduction of Expences amounts to ℔ 20194. –. 92 of which 12000 comes under the head of Charges Garrison & Country Guard. The Garrison of Marlbro consists of 120 Military & Train, Moco Moco 16, Manna 16 and Natal 30 Total 182. A Number full little enough for such an Entent of District, We cannot think it prudent under a Notion of saving, to risque the Welfare of those settlements. The Malays are remarkable for Treachery, should it be necessary to make any considerable Draught from Marlbro that Garrison would be very weak, the Covenanted Servants now are 29, by a Calculation made by the SupraVizors 42 are necessary, for transacting the several Branches of Affairs on that Coast, so that We can regard this Reduction of ℔ 20194. –. 92 as temporary only & from hence We conclude that what Our Hoñble Masters say that this Settlement & it's Subordinates are Annually a loss to them will not be removed so much by the lessening Expences, as by a prudent Conduct and proper Attention to the Investment, which tis unanimously allowed might be encreas'd at least to double it's present produce. This therefore should be strenuously recommended and will We hope be pursued with Vigour as the surest means to recommend them to the Esteem of their Employers.

It would have been of great help to us had the SupraVizors form'd their Regulations into a Journal or Diary or rang'd the whole under the usual heads, We are now oblig'd to have recourse to theirs & the General Letters with Consultations where they are mix'd with the Current Business, which renders it a Work of more time than is consistent with the Dispatch of the Prince George at this Season, to be exactly particular as we could desire, however We have omitted nothing very Material, We could wish Leizure from their other Avocations would have admitted of one of them having visited the subordinates, it would have given them a more clear & entensive [*sic*] knowledge of what they now only have from Report, It is a work that still continues necessary.

To do Justice to these Gentlemen they have not been wanting in the due Execution of their Trust repos'd in them, the Regulations they have made will We believe put that Coast upon a good Establishment and Our Hoñble Masters approve their Conduct, but still the path is only mark'd out a Relapse may succeed, therefore We conceive the Supra Vizorship should be continued in Mr. John Pybus & if possible another joined with him, when one might visit the Subordinates, whilst the other remain'd at the Head Settlement, till Our Hoñble Masters advised of the several Transactions should send us their Directions.

We are
Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hble Servts.
Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Fort St. George
6th. October 1754.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, September 1754.

Silver.

Dr.						Cr.					
Sepr. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	¼	lb. 81	8	10	Septbr. 30th. By Ballance	20¼	lb. 5895	—	10
17th.	To Account Current London, recd ℔ Ship London	20	5813	4	—					
	Chests ..	20¼	lb. 5895	—	10					

Errors Excepted.

Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Gold.

Dr.		Chests.	Oz.	dwt.	gr.		Cr. Chests.	Oz.	dwt.	gr.
Septr. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month.	5	16242	5	8	Sept. 30 By Ballance	5	16242	5	8

Errors Excepted.

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Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Arcot Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
Sept 1.	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	191973	12	9	Septbr. 2d. By Import Warehousekr. delivered him for sale	24970	—	
					9 By Ditto do.	12000	—	—
					14 By Bengall Presidency ℔ Ship Anson.	96000	—	—
					23d. By Impo. Warehousekr. delivered him for Sale	12000	—	—
					30 By Ditto do.	12000	—	—
						156970	—	—
					— By Ballance	35008	12	9
		191973	12	9		191973	12	9

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madras Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
Septbr. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	288320	—	—	Septbr. 14 By Bengall Presidency sent ℔ Ship Anson	288000	—	—
4th.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master	2915	—	—	30 By Ballance	3235	—	—
		291235	—	—		291235	—	—

Errors Excepted.
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Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Current Pagodas.

Dr.				Cr.			
Septr. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	69000	— —	Septbr. 2	By the Hon'ble Company's Cash paid in	7000	— —
4th.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	6000	— —	9	By Do. do.	8000	— —
13	To Ditto	4000	— —	23d.	By Do. do.	22600	— —
18	To Do.	6000	— —	30th.	By Do. do.	10000	— —
19	To Import Warehousekeeper recd of him	10600	— —			47600	— —
28	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master	4000	— —		By Ballance	52000	— —
		99600	— —			99600	— —

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Pagodas.

Dr.				Cr.			
Septr. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	12506	21 35	Sepbr. 9th.	By the Honble Company's Cash paid ..	22506	21 35
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master	6000	— —				
3d,	To Ditto	4000	— —				
		22506	21 35				

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Arrived the Hoñble Company's Sloop Cuddalore Captain Nathaniel Hammond from the Negrais and Bengal with General Letter from Mr. Henry Brooke at the former place dated 18th. August & two from Bengal dated 1st. & 16 Sepr. — 8th

Recd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 5th. Instt. —

Arrived Sloop Mercury, Thomas Swaine from Bengall. —

Sailed Sloop George, Thomas Reason, for Bandarmalanka. —

Do. the Hoñble Company's Ship Warren, Captain Aphonsus Glover for Fort St. David and Bombay with Genl. Letters for both those Settlements dated the 7th. Instant. — 9

Sailed Ship Watson, Charles Whitehill for Fort St. David & Bby. —

Arrived the Hoñble Company's Ship London, Richard Alwright from Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter from the Gentlemen there dated the 7th. Instant. — 10

Arrived Ship George, Herbert Sutherland from Ingeram with Genl. Letters from the Residt. there dated 26 & 29 ulto. —

Sailed Sloop Orange Tree, William Dogan, for Bengal. —

Arrived his Majesty's Ship Bridgwater, Captain William Martin from Fort St. David. — 11

Do. his Majestys Sloop King Fisher; Captn. Best Myhell from Fort St. David. —

Arrived Sloop Musketoe from Ingeram.

Arrived Sloop Phœnix, David Mitchell from Bengal. —

Do. the Hoñble Company's Ship, Britannia Nevell from Fort St. David with Genl. Letter from thence 11th. Instant. — 13

Do. Ketch St. Juan Baptista, John Murphy, from Fort St. David. —

Sailed the Hoñble Company's Ship Kent, Geo. Wilson for Bengal with General Letter to the Gentlemen there dated this day. —

Recd via DeveCotah Genl. Letter from the Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry dated 29th. June. —

Sailed the Hoñble Company's Ship Colchester, Roger Mainwaring for Bengal with Genl. Letter to the Gentlemen there dated 12th. Instant. — 14

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. President. — Monday the 14th

Charles Boddam. — Henry Powney.

Robert Orme. — Alexandr. Wynch.

William Perceval. — John Smith.

Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 7th. Instant read and signd.

Mr. Boddam reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. — Hospital reported.

General Letters read Vizt. — General letters read from Fort St. David.

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N°. 189, 193, 196 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, the first dated the 5th. Instant acquainting us that they had called upon M^{r}. Cooke to resume the Employs but he declines it and submits to Suspension, in whose stead they have appointed M^{r}. Norris to take charge of the Warehouse untill they receive Our directions. That the short warning we have given them will not admit of their procuring the 16 Corge of Blue Cloth We wrote for enclosing their Consultations and Monthly Accounts the second is dated the 7th. Instant & advises that they dispatch the London to us without havg. landed any of her Iron as they have a sufficient quantity on hand. The third dated the 11th. Instant, advising that they dispatch the Brittania to Us, that their Merchants have brought in about 130 Bales but they do not imagine above 1/3 can be taken in desiring Our directions about the turn'd Out Cloth. That they send us by the said Ship, two Soldiers, one of whom has been found guilty of Theft, the other of desertion, the last the Court Martial were of opinion should be banished to the West Coast, but they chuse to send them to Us.

From Bengal.

N°. 190 and N°. 191 from the President and Council of Bengall, the first dated the 1st. September acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 27th. July ℔ York and advising that they have station'd the Denham Captain Meard to relieve the Egmont at the Negrais & shall supply that place with necessarys and Refreshments, that they shall dispatch home in the beginning of December one of the Ships of last Season fully laden & send us up one in January half laden to be filled up here, that they desire We will give them early Notice if We should be able to compleat the Tonnage of two half Ships, That the reason they desired us to return the sloop in which Colonel Scott came up tho' she was under his direction was upon a supposition he would stay here and then that Vessell would have fallen under Our Orders of Course. That they observe M^{r}. Brooke has inform'd Us they had Indented to him for Timber and Plank in which there must be some Mistake as they never did write for any, however as those Articles are in demand, they may turn to the Company's advantage & they desire We will order M^{r}. Brooke to send them as large a Quantity as he can procure by the Ship that relieves the Egmont, that the Cuddalore Sloop arrived there a few days ago from the Negrais with a Consignment of Teak Timber, that M^{r}. Brooke has drawn on them for 24000. A.Rs. 2. qr. 57 Rees. in favour of Mess^{rs}. Manningham and Frankland. That they have recd Our Consignment of Treasure ℔ Syren, S^{t}. George and York and are glad We have exchanged the Bombay Rupees sent Us for them by M^{r}. Bourchier &c^{a}. Council into Arcot, as the latter is at present in the greatest demand there. That they have given Publick notice of Our Prohibition of Trade in piece Goods to Bencoolen and Ophium to Natal and that they will supply us with 50 Chests of Ophium in Jañry, that they have a large Ballance of Gunpowder on hand and desire to know whether they shall supply us with any and what Quantity. That they send Us a Box packet for the Company which they desire may be forwarded by our September Ship. That M^{r}. Knapton who arrived there from the Negrais in the Cuddalore being in a very ill State of Health has desired to remain there till Jañry, enclosing a Letter to Us from M^{r}. Brooke. The other is dated the 16th. September and advises that they have consign'd to us 500 Baggs of Salt Petre and three Bales of Baftaes ℔ Cuddalore, enclosing Account Disbursements for that Sloop.

From Negrais.

N°. 192 from M^{r}. Henry Brooke Chief of the Negrais dated the 18th. August giving an Account of his Situation and progress on that Island, the General purport of which is that the place where they are situated being in a Bog is so unhealthy even in the best Season that few of the people are exempt from a lingering sickness, that the place by reason of the Hill behind it cannot be well made defensible against an Enemy and upon the whole recommending the NW Point as a proper place in every Respect, promising a more ample Account of Affairs by the Porto Bello sloop.

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From Ingeram.

N°. 194 and N°. 195 from Foss Westcott Esq^r. Resident at Ingeram, the first dated the 26^th. September advising that he hath laden and dispatch'd to Us on the Ship George two hundred and sixty five Bales of Callicoes and some damag'd Stores. The Second is dated the 29^th. September acknowledging the Receit of Our Letters of the 6^th. and 14^th. Ult°. and acquainting Us that considering the Situation of Affairs in those parts he believes the Supplys We have sent him will be sufficient for his Investment and Charges.

From Tellicherry.

N°. 197 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry dated the 29^th. June acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 16^th. March with a packet for Bombay which was forwarded via Goa, enclosing a packet for the President and Council of Bombay, which they request Us to dispatch to them.

Mr. Cooke suspended.

Question whether one of the Superior Co. to succeed him. Carried in the Negative.

M^r. Thomas Cooke being suspended from the Hon^ble Company's Service on his Refusal to continue in the Charge of the Export Warehouse on the terms prescribed by the Standing Orders, and his Seat in the Council at Fort S^t. David being thereby become Vacant, the appointment of a proper person to succeed him therein is now taken under Consideration, And the Question being put whether or not it is expedient that one of the Council at this Presidency should be appointed, the Majority are of opinion it is not.

Mr. Ardley proposed. Reasons agt. it.

M^r. Samuel Ardley being then propos'd the Board have no other objection than that as his Rank in the Service would place him above M^r. Robert Sloper who has long sat in the Council there and shew'd himself on all occasions a capable and faithfull Servant to the Company the Board are unwilling to give him any Cause of Uneasiness.

Mr. Turner appointed.

M^r. Charles Turner is thereupon proposed & unanimously appointed to be one of the Council at Fort S^t. David and to proceed thither as soon as possible.

Mr. Cookes request in regard to the town Cloth to be complied with on his giving security.

In regard to M^r. Cooke's Request that the difference on the torn and damag'd Cloth may be referr'd to the Company, it is AGREED to comply with it in Case M^r. Cooke will give Security to abide by the Companys determination and in that Case that the Cloth be delivered to his Attorney on paying down the Value of the Appraisement or that it be sold at Outcry.

Mr. Browning appointed Regr. of the Sea Gate.

THE Employ of Register of the Sea Gate being vacant by M^r. Turner's Removal to Fort S^t. David, M^r. John Browning is appointed to succeed him therein.

Considerations of Affairs at the Negrais deferr'd.

AGREED that the Consideration of Affairs at the Negrais be deferr'd untill the Arrival of the Porto Bello Sloop by which Conveyance, M^r. Brooke promises a full state of his Transactions.

Ingeram bales to be landed & sorted.

ORDERED that the Bales from Ingeram ℔ George be landed, sorted, re-embaled and shipp'd on the Norfolk as expeditiously as possible.

St. James Foulis consent to stay on the Coast.

Letter from S^t. James Foulis Barn^t. read as entered hereafter, acquainting Us that as We judge his remain^g. on this Coast may be of service to the Company's Affairs he submits to Our Orders during the time he has permission of absence from Bombay.

Capt^n. Donald Campbell requests a Certificate of his Behaviour.

Letter from Captain Donald Campbell read as entered hereafter requesting that a Certificate may be granted him of his Behaviour, which may be necessary to entitle him to his half Pay at Home.

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Granted.

AGREED that a Certificate, setting forth that he has served the Company as a brave and good Officer, be granted him.

Mr. Wynch desires to send 2 of his children home on the Norfolk.

Granted.

Letter from Mr. Alexander Wynch read as entered hereafter requesting Permission of Passage to England on the Norfolk for two of his Children, William and Alexander Wynch, which is granted.

Dificiency ℔ Kent to be paid and the Company advised.

THE Storekeeper represents to the Board that he had demanded of Captain Wilson of the Kent, the Deals & Nails mention'd in his Invoice and Bill of Loading, but that he alledges that the Deals were all Cut up to make Platforms for the Accommodation of the Military, for which use they were intended and that the Nails were all expended on the same occasion, that he has delivered the pieces of the Deals which are in being, and therefore desires it may be referr'd home to be adjusted there.

THE Company's Orders being Express to receive the Amount of all Deficiencys and State the Case to them ORDERED that it be done so.

London and Britania to be dispatch'd to the Bay.

their Lead & Iron to be consign'd thither.

Remains of the Norfolks Cargo to be sent hereafter.

As the Season grows late and it will take up a considerable time to land the Lead and Iron consign'd to Us by the London and Brittania and to load on them the remainder of the Norfolks Cargo AGREED that the Lead and Iron be consign'd to the Gentlemen at Bengal, that the rest of the Norfolks Cargo be sent by some future conveyance and that the London and Britannia be dispatched as soon as possible.

Accompt. Genl. Draft on the Estate of Levy Moses.

A Draft from the Accountant General for one hundred and eighty six Pagodas, nine fans. and sixty one Cash (186·9·61) Account the Estate of Levy Moses decd, payable to Samuel Moses being presented to the Board together with a Letter as entered hereafter.

Ordered to be paid.

ORDERED that the draft be paid.

Two setts of certificates signd.

Two setts of Certificates to the Honble Court of Directors of this date are now sign'd for the following sums recd. into their Cash here Vizt.

setts.			
1	Account the Estate of Hugh Burnett decd late belonging to the Ship Warren for three hundred and forty nine Pagodas, value recd of Captain Alpphonsus Glover	349	— —
1	Account the Estate of William Halkerston decd late belonging to the ship Warren for three hundred and forty nine Pagodas, value recd of Captain Alphonsus Glover, Messrs. Willm. Tryon, William Scott and Row Purnell ..	349	— —
2	Setts amounting to PAGODAS ..	698	— —

Money paid in from the Treasury.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. paid in the 12th. Instant two thousand (2000) Pagodas for Rupees sold and pays in this day from the Treasury seven thousand (7000) Pagodas on Account of Gold from Europe.

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AGREED that seven thousand (7000) Pagodas be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad AND

Advance to the Commissary &

THAT fifteen hundred (1500) be advanced the Export Warehousekeeper to pay for sundry Goods for presents.

Export Warehokr.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
✠ CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

✠ I am of opinion that One of Counsel should be sent to [St.] David first because the Company orders are such & [that they are] obeyed in sending Mr. Cooke there, secondly I [do not] think this Board understood that these orders [..] to Mr. Cook assistance only because Mr. Cooke [..] ordered did not arrive I beleive till after Mr. [..] death and has been continued ever since to the necessity of one [..] being sent I think as that [..] vicinity to Pondicherry under its [Forwarded] of consequence of much more extent than [..] it is much more requisite now and as the [..] of Councilour now 13 one can be as well force [..] as when it was but 1.

As the Company's Orders seem positive for One of the Members of our Board to be in Council at Fort St. David, I am of opinion it should be complied with accordingly.

Mr. Orme of opinion that a Madras Councillor be sent to St. David.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I had the Honour of your Letter of the 5th. Instant, subscribed by your Secretary; As you are of opinion that my remaining on this Coast may be for the Service of the Honble Company of which you are the properest Judges, I therefore submit to your Orders during the time I have permission from the President and Council of Bombay, & whenever you please to honour me with your Commands in any particular they shall be obey'd with all due Respect by

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Servt.
JAMES FOULIS.

FORT ST. GEORGE
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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

As it may be requisite for me towards obtaining my half Pay in His Majestys Service to have a certificate from under your hands of my good Behaviour during the time I served the Honble Company in the East Indies.

I flatter myself Gentlemen and I hope I have not so far lost your good Esteem as to deny me this my Request.

I have the honour to be with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hum. Servt.
Donald Campbell.

Fort St. George
13th. October 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

As I purpose sending two of my Children William and Alexander Wynch to England on the Norfolk, I request you will order Captain Bonham to receive them and their necessarys on board. I am

Honble Sir & Sirs
your most Obedient Servant
Alexandr. Wynch.

Fort St. George
October 14th. 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By a Second Order of the Honble Mayors Court, I have again drawn on you for one hundred and eighty six Pagodas, nine fanams and sixty one Cash in favour of Mr. Samuel Moses, I am also directed by them in a Letter sign'd by their Register dated this day to represent to you That, by the Obligation granted by the Honble East India Company to his Majesty, to be answerable for the money of the Suitors; By his Majestys most gracious Charter, And by the Instructions sent out by the Honble Court of Directors for executing the Office of Accountant General; your Honour &ca. must be convinced that the Honble Mayors Court is laid under a necessity to insist upon a due Complyance with their Draught.

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AND in Order to set this matter in the Clearest Light, I am ordered to insert the following Paragraphs.

FIRST From the Obligation granted by the Honble East India Company to his Majesty.

"NOW KNOW YE, that the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in pursuance of the aforesaid Undertaking & Agreement with his Majesty, have undertaken and agreed and do by these Presents undertake and agree to be answerable to the Suitors of the said Mayors Court at Madrasspatnam aforesd. for all such Money, Securities and Effects, as under the Order of the said Mayors Court shall be paid, delivered to or deposited with the said United Company's Governour or President and Council at Fort St. George aforesaid."

SECONDLY From His Majesty's most gracious Charter WE do therefore upon such undertaking and agreement of the said Company, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors WILL and ORDAIN that all Money, Securities and Effects of the said Suitors as shall be ordered into Court, or to be paid delivered or deposited for safe Custody shall be paid or delivered unto, or deposited with the Govr. or President and Council at Fort St. George to be by them kept and deposited with the Cash and Effects of the said Company, subject to such Orders and directions as the said Mayors Court shall from time to time think fit to make concerning the same for the benefit of the Suitors."

THIRDLY, From the Instructions sent out by the Honble Court of Directors for executing the Office of Accomptant General.

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the said Governour and Council do issue and pay such money and deliver such Securities and Effects unto the person mention'd in such Note or Order or his Assigns by Endorsement thereon, And the Accomptant General is to reassign such Securities to the Person or Persons named in the Order of the Mayors Court."

THE Deposits made by the Mayors Court being therefore judged to be subject to the Orders thereof I am ORDERED to demand Payment of the accompanying Draft.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant

CLAUD RUSSELL.
Accompt. Genl.

FORT ST. GEORGE
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Arrived Ship Elizabeth Edmund Massey, from Bengall. 15TH.

Ditto The Honble Company's Sloop Dragon Vellabou Syrang from Vizagapatam.

Do. Ship Betsey, Edward Roach, from Bengal.

Sailed His Majestys Ship Bridgwater, Captn. William Martin for Bengal. —

Do. His Majestys Sloop King Fisher Best Myhell for Bengal. —

Arrived Snow Hartop, John Herrot, from Vizagapatam with George Pigot Esqr. late Chief of that Settlement now Deputy Govr. of Fort St. David, Passenger, Recd. by the said Snow General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 5 Inst. 16

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17TH. Sailed Sloop Mercury, Thomas Swaine for Nagore.

— Do. the Honble Companys Ship Britannia Nevell Norway for Bengal with General Letter dated 16th. Inst.

— Do. the Honble Company's Ship London Richard Alwright for Bengal, with Genl. Letter dated this day.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to the Govr. and Council of Pondicherry dated this day.

18 Arrived the Honble Company's Sloop Porto Bello, William Grierson from the Negrais, last from Vizagapatam with General Letters from the latter dated 28th. Septr. and from the former dated 2d. September.

— Recd. by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 14th. Instant.

— Red. by Pattamars Letter from the Resident and Council at Surat dated the 3d. September.

— Sailed Ship Elizabeth Edmund Massey for Fort St. David.

— Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

19 Sailed Ship Ganges, John Gould, for the Malabar Coast & Persia, sent by her General Letter to the President & Council of Bombay dated the 18th.

— Ditto Ship Betsey, Edward Roche, for the Malabar Coast and Persia.

20 Sailed Snow Don Carlos, Balea Syrang, for Ingeram.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.

GEORGE PIGOT.	CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.	ROBERT ORME.
ALEXANDR. WYNCH.	WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.	CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY THE 21ST.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

George Pigot Esqr. arrives & takes his seat at the Board.

George Pigot Esqr. takes his Seat at the Board as Second in Council and the Oaths of Allegiance and Office as Justice of the Peace, and Commissioner of Oyer and Terminer &ca. are administred to him.

THE Minutes of last Consultation dated the 14th. Instant read and sign'd.

General Letters read from Vizagapatam.

General Letters read Vizt.

No. 198 and No. 199. From the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 28th. Ulto. acknowledg. the receit of Our Letters of the 2d. 6th. and 14th. Instant and advising that the Porto Bello Sloop from the Negrais touching there, they take the opportunity to acquaint us Mr. Pigot will embark on the Hartop Snow the last of that Month, on which vessell they hope to send Us 200 White Bales, that the Anson sailed from thence the 23d. for Bengal, from whence Captain Gardner arrived the 27th. Ulto. The other dated the 5th. Instant (accompanying Account of Quick Stock, General Books and Monthly Papers & advising that they were oblig'd to take in all the Cloth their Merchants had on hand to dispatch the Hartop but have ordered that no more be

Co. In.

recd under 70 Covids long & 2. 5 broad that Ibrahim Ally Cawn has been paid the money We directed, that they have been under a necessity of supplyg. his family with some Rice for their immediate use to the Amount of Pags. 280

and request leave in Case they should not be able to repay the same to write it off to Account presents that they shall deliver Viziaram Rauze 50 Barrels of Gun powder in a few days, that since the taking down their Choultry they have made use of another Building for confining Persons &c^{a}. which with a little Expence will make an Hospital as well as answer the other purposes, they therefore request leave to purchase it as it is offered for 300 Pagod^{s}. and their present Hospital is too small and badly situated, inclosing Invoice of Bales by the Hartop.

from the Negrais.

N^{o}. 200 from M^{r}. Henry Brooke Chief of the Negrais dated 2^{d}. September, containing a further Account of his Transactions in the Hoñble Company's Affairs on that Island, and with the Court of Pegue and enclosing Indents for sundry necessarys.

from Fort St. David.

N^{o}. 201 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 14th. Instant, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 7th. acquainting Us that Major Heron &c^{a}. Officers arrived there on the Warren, enclosing Copy of a Letter from Captain Hislop of his Majesty's Train, requesting to be supplied with Gunnies to keep the Rain out of the Barrack and desiring an Hospital for the sick in Tevenapatam which they did not comply with, but offered one in Cuddalore, desiring some * Dusticks may be sent for the use of their Merchants.

from Surat.

N^{o}. 202 From the Resident and Council at Surat dated the 3^{d}. September, enclosing a Bill of Exchange in Our favour for AR^{s}. 10362. A^{s}. 11. and advising that as soon as they are able to procure Bills they shall remit us a further sum.

Rice supply'd Ibrahim Ally Cawn at Vizagapatm, may be wrote off to Account Presents.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam be permitted to write off to Account Presents the Rice supplied Ibrahim Ally Cawn in case he should not be able to pay for it, as his Family have always been good friends to the English, and it is probable will be restored to the Nabobship of the Northern province should Peace be settled there AGREED also that they be permitted to purchase the Choultry they mention for the uses they recommend.

A Choultry at Vizagaptm may be purchas'd for an Hospital.

Vizagapatam Cloth to be resorted & laden on the Norfolk.

ORDERED that the Vizagapatam Cloth be landed from the Hartop, resorted, reimbaled and shipp'd on the Norfolk as expeditiously as possible.

The amot. of a Bill from Surat to be forwarded to Bengal.

ORDERED that the Amount of the Bill from Surat be sent to Bengal by the Shipping after the Monsoon agreeable to what the Gentelmen at Bombay write in their Letter of the 20th. May last.

Affairs of the Negrais consider'd.

The Advices from the Negrais being taken under Consideration, IT IS AGREED that M^{r}. Brooke be directed to remove to the North East point of the Island, as it appears not only by his Advices but by the concurrent Testimony and Opinion of every Person who has been upon the Island that the place where the Settlement is now fixed must ever be unhealthy from the nature of it's Situation for being constantly overflowed every Spring tide, When the Waters retire the Shore is left covered with Ooze and small Fry, which putrifying must viciate the Air. By the description of the North East Point of the Island it appears in most respects to be the fittest place for a Settlement, it lies most convenient for the Country Boats, the Advantage of which may be very considerable in a place intended for Trade, the Soil is good and bids fair to be healthy, the Harbour is safe & convenient for Shipping, these are the Principal

M$_{r}$. Brooke to remove to the N. E. Point.

But no capital works to be erected.

* A pass or permit, *Hobson Jobson, page* 334.

things required, the entrance of the Harbour may be defended by a Battery on the North West Point, but thô the Settlement is to be removed to the North East Point for the Present, no Expensive or Capital Works are to be undertaken untill further Experience has confirm'd the present opinion of that place, but such Works only are to be thrown up as may be immediately necessary for Defence against a Country Enemy.

Milit̃y at the Negrais dead & return'd to be replac'd.

AGREED that the Military dead and return'd from the Negrais be replaced, that an Engineer and Train Officer be sent thither in the room of Lieutenant Knapton, and that Lieutenant Bilhock be relieved as it appears by a Letter from him, which the President now lays before the Board, that his Health requires it.

Engineer & Train Officer to be sent & an Officer to relieve Lieut. Bilhock.

Henry Stringfellow to take charge at the Factory at Syrian.

AGREED that Mr. Henry Stringfellow appointed by Mr. Brooke to take Charge of the Company's Effects at Syrian be continued there at present, but without any Allowances as the Station is only Nominal and merely to keep up Our Pretensions to the Factory there.

Indents from the Negrais to be comply'd with.

ORDERED that the Indents from the Negrais be complied with as expeditiously as possible, and that the several Articles be laden on the Cuddalore Sloop.

Porto Bello Sloop to be sent to Bengal & return in J̃anry.

As the Cuddalore and Porto Bello Sloops do not appear to be both necessary at present for the Negrais, AGREED that the Porto Bello be dispatched to Bengal and that the Gentlemen there be desired to return her to Us in January, and as it may take up too much time to land the Timber from her AGREED that it be consign'd to the Gentlemen at Bengal.

Letter from C̃aptn. Grierson to be better provided for.

Letter from Captain Grierson of the Porto Bello Sloop read as entered hereafter, setting forth his long and faithfull Services and the Losses he has sustained and praying to be provided for in some way that may be more advantageous than the Command of that Sloop.

To be recommended to the Company.

IN Justice to Captain Grierson the Board do acknowledge that he hath shewn himself a Capable Officer in his profession and has always behaved himself so as to merit Encouragement, which the Board are well disposed to give him, but as no opportunities do now present, and there is no probability that any will, it is AGREED to recommend him to the notice of Our Honble Masters.

Paddy at Puliacat belonging to Ibrahim Ally Cawn.

THE President acquaints the Board that there is a Quantity of Paddy lying at Pulliacat belonging to Ibrahim Ally Cawn Son of Jaffar Ally Cawn late Nabob of the Northern Province, which he had under his care for sometime past at the request of Jaffer Ally Cawn, but is now desirous of delivering over the Charge.

Export warehokr. to take charge and dispose of it and Report.

ORDERED that the Export Warehousekeeper receive it under his management. dispose of it for the best price it will fetch, and then report the same to the Board.

C̃aptn. Bonham requests 12 Tons more of Redwood on ½ Freight granted.

LETTER from Captain Pinson Bonham read as entered hereafter, requesting 12 Tons more of Redwood for Dunnage on half Freight, which is granted.

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Storekeepers accot. Deficiencys ℔ Kent and London.

THE Storekeeper lays before the Board an Account Deficiency's ℔ Ships Kent and London paid for by the Commanders, which is entered hereafter.

Captns. Griersons accot. Disburse. ments. ℔ Porto Bello also Arrears of Wages & ca to be paid.

The Storekeeper also lays before the Board Captain Grierson's Account Disbursements for the Sloop Porto Bello amounting to eleven hundred and fifty one Rupees, four annaes (1151. 4.) Account Arrears of Wages for eight Months to the 11th. Instant amounting to eighty eight pounds sterling £. 88 and two thousand three hundred and thirty six (2336) Pagodas and an Accot. for sixty days diet of Mr. William Anderson Surgeon in his passage from hence to the Negrais.

ORDERED that the same be paid.

No cloth to be chopp'd at St. Thome under penalty of Confiscation.

IT being represented to the Board by the Land Customer that the Renters of St. Thomé have Chopp'd Cloth at St. Thomé and received a Duty thereon contrary to their Cowle ORDERED that the Affair be particularly enquired into, and that no Cloth be in future chopp'd at St. Thomé, under Penalty of Confiscation

Mr. Ardley complains he is not prefer'd according to his Rank.

Letter from Mr. Samuel Ardley read as entered hereafter complaining that he has not been preferr'd according to his Rank, Mr. Charles Turner having been appointed to supply a Vacancy in Council at Fort St. David in preference to him altho' he is junior on the List.

The reason assign'd.

THE reasons for that appointment are assign'd in the Minutes of last Consultation, which the Secretary is directed to communicate to Mr. Ardley that he may be sensible no Reflection is meant to be Cast on his Capacity or conduct or prejudice intended him, but that the Circumstances of the Case require such an Appointment.

Money pd. in accot. the Estate of Matthew Empson & Wm. Le fevre.

Messrs. Boddam and Bourchier late Paymaster and Secretary pay into Cash the Sum of Pagodas two thousand six hundred and two, twenty nine fans. and twenty four Cash (2602. 29. 24) collected by them further on Account the Estate of Mr. Matthew Empson deceas'd, as also the Sum of thirty four Pagodas, thirteen fanams, and forty Cash (34. 13. 40) on Account the Estate of Mr. William Le fevre, deceas'd being the Amount of four pieces of Silk sent from Canton by Captain William Wilson of the Suffolk for the produce of a Chest of Wine belonging to the deceas'd carried there by the said Ship through Mistake and sold there for thirty eight Tale, one Canderine and six Cash (38. 1. 6) the Management of which Estates were committed to those Gentlemen by the Board.

West Coast Dispatches ℔ Prince Geo. sign'd.

General Letter to the SupraVizor and Council of Fort Marlbro, General Letter to the Resident at Natal for the time being and Dispatch to Captain Edwd. Burman of Ship Prince George are now sign'd all dated this day, but Captain Burman being ill at present, it is ORDERED that in Case he should not be capable of proceeding by the time the Ship is in readiness to sail Mr. William Ormstrong, the Chief Mate is then to take the Command.

Money paid in By the Sea Cusr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Land Customer &

William Perceval Land Customer pays in five hundred and eighty two Pagodas fourteen fanams & thirteen Cash, being the Ballance of that Account for last Month.

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Farmer of Egmore Villages.

Gruapah Farmer of Egmore &c^{a}. Villages pays in fourteen hundred and fifty (1450) Pagodas for one Years Rent due the 1st. September last.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
WILL^{M}. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HOND SIR & SIRS

I must beg leave to petition you once more for 12 Tons of Redwood on half freight for Dunnage for the Company's Bales, as we have not Wood sufficient for that purpose--I am

HOND SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Serv^{t}.
PINSON BONHAM.

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OCTOBER 18TH. 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT &C^{A}. COUNCIL
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As I am very sensible of the many important Affairs, your honours have to transact, it is with reluctance, that I give you any trouble at this time, but hope you will excuse it. As it is now seven Years since I was appointed Commander of the Sloop Porto Bello by the Honble Court of Directors in London, and ever since have been employ'd on such service, as has been attended with a great deal of trouble and fatigue, but very few opportunitys of reaping any Advantage. The first four Years and half I was employ'd as Tender to his Majestys Ships under the orders of Admiral Boscawen, Comm^{dr}. Lisle and lastly of Captain Spike after being discharg'd from that Service I arrived at S^{t}. David in Febry 1752, the Vessel being that time much in want of Repairs, I received Orders to get the Sloop ready to proceed to Syrian as soon as possible in order to be repaired, which I accordingly did, and in the meantime (by the Advice of People who were acquainted that way) I purchas'd some Goods of different kinds fit for that Market; but afterwards was detained at Fort S^{t}. David 'till the 1st. of April when I was ordered up to this place and remain'd here till June the 19th. 1752, when We sailed with a Detachment of Men, Military Stores &c^{a}. for the Negrais where We remain'd till the beginning of September, at which time the people being sickly ashore (by Mr. Taylors orders) the Detachment with all the Stores &c^{a}. was again embark'd and We proceeded to Syrian but on my Arrival there, could not dispose of any of the Goods I bro^{t}. with me as the Market was then overstock'd by Vessells arriving a long time before us

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and some Months after Mr. Westgarths House took fire and was burnt, in which I lost Goods to the Amount of above five hundred Pagodas prime Cost at Fort St. David; All which I humbly submit to your honours Consideration (the Time I serv'd in this Sloop, the trouble and fatigue attending the Service and the loss I have sustain'd) hoping that your Honours will provide better for me than the Vessell I am in at present—I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humn Servt.
WILLIAM GRIERSON.

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ACCOUNT Deficiency of Stores and the Short Delivery ℔ ship KENT.

NAILS VIZt.—

		£	sh.	d.
20d. 2000	.. ..	—	18	4
24d. 1000	.. ..	—	14	8
30d. 1000	.. ..	—	19	3
40d. 1000	.. ..	1	5	8
CASH..	.. ..	—	1	10
	lb			
Deck Nails	77	1	1	—
Deals	52	5	11	6½
Euffirs	17½	2	11	11
		13	4	2½
Advance @. 30 ℔ Cent	..	3	19	3
		£ 17	3	5½

@ 8 sh. ℔ Pag. is Pag. 42 fa. 33 Ca. 45

LONDON.

		£	sh.	d.
Deals 42½	.. .. ..	£ 4	11	2
Euffirs 15½	.. ..	2	6	—
Nails Vizt.				
20d.	2000	—	18	4
24d.	1000	—	14	8
30d.	1000	—	19	3
40d.	1000	1	5	8
Cash ..	.. ..	—	1	10
Deck Nails	67	—	18	5
Weight Do.	31	—	8	6
		12	3	10
Advance @ 30 ℔ Cent.		3	13	2
		£ 15	17	—

@ 8 sh. ℔ Pag. is Pag. 39 fa. 22 Ca. 40

PAGODAS 82 20 5

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ALEXANDER WYNCH
Storek'.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

It is with reluctance that I appear before you in a Stile I am very unwilling to use, but my being most unexpectedly superceded by the appointment of Mr. Turner to a Seat in Council at Fort St. David, makes it the only proper one I can speak in, and to be altogether silent is impossible; since unless I was to complain of a hardship which I cannot but imagine most peoples Sentiments will concur with mine in thinking extraordinary; I should justly forfiet all Title to the Interest of my friends that has placed me here, in a Situation which shews their Design I should enjoy my full right to Advancement, by whom it would be naturally concluded, I am indolently indifferent how I am treated, was I to take no notice when I am so greatly injured, and that if I was so neglectfull of my own Welfare I shou'd hardly be very carefull of my Honble Masters, thus consequently become deem'd ever as unworthy of any Station of Trust or Importance, as I am concern'd to say repeated preference too strongly insinuate. I therefore hope your Honour &ca. will not condemn me for expressing an uneasiness at being much disappointed in the expectation I had entertain'd of your following what I have always heard has been laid down as a Standing Maxim, to allot the Honble Company's Servants such posts as their Ranks give them Claim to, if their Conduct does not forbid it, and your disposition of me on first coming to Madrass (a Goodness which I had a due sense of) strengthen'd me in that Notion, a Presumption that has made less Assiduous in solliciting when there has been any prospect of a Vacant Employ that I thought I had pretensions to apply for; but am sorry to find I have laboured thus long under a Mistake, whereof the Advancement of Messrs. Fairfield and Lewen Smith, as well as the Gentleman in Question are Instances too apparent.

I could enlarge my Letter with many Arguments that I conceive are on my side, and which I shou'd have urged in time had I had the opportunity & been sensible it was needfull to advance them, but as I have too much reason to think they will now avail me nothing I should avoid detaining your Honour &ca. therewith, & conclude with this one essential Request, that you will do me the Justice not to leave room for my friends in England, who will be acquainted with my degradation to suspect me of being so undeserving of the promotion they have put me in the way of, as the Cause of my Complaint seems to indicate, unless my Demerits are the real Obstruction, or if that be the Case, of those I shall be thankfull to be informd that I may either clear the impediment or no longer indulge Views that are groundless. I am

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hum. Servt.
Samuel Ardley.

Fort St. George
15th. October 1754.

21st. Arrived Snow Neptune Andrew Kerr from Pegue.

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AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDT.

GEORGE PIGOT.	CHAS. BODDAM.	THURSDAY
HENRY POWNEY.	ROBERT ORME.	THE
AR. WYNCH.	WILLM. PERCEVAL.	24TH.
JOHN SMITH.	CHS. BOURCHIER.	

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Perquisites of the different Employs in Council delivered in.

Agreeable to Our Honble Masters Commands in their Letter of the 23d. Jany the several Members of the Board deliver in an Account of the Perquisites received in their respective Employs as follow.

TO THE GOVR. AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

Conformable to the 57th. Paragraph of the Honble Company's Letter dated 23d. Jany, I am now to acquaint you that my perquisite is the Consulage on Coral, It is known that the Chief Inhabitants and likewise those from the Country do sometimes make a present to the Govr. but this is an Act of Courtesy and very uncertain, and this has been ever since the Settlement was establish'd.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. Hum. Servt.
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

Export Warehouse Kr.

AS EXPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER I declare I receive no Perquisites that interfere with or affect the Company it has always been customary for the Merchants after the Years Investment is compleated to make a present of Cloth, which in the whole does not exceed in value 400 Pagodas a Year.

CHARLES BODDAM.

Sea Customer.

THE SEA CUSTOMER is allowed Fees on all Notes which amount to about 400 Pagodas 1/3 of which is given to the Upper Searcher. The Black Merchants make him little presents which amount to about 500 Pagodas, and these are Perquisites that have been permitted him time out of mind.

The Import Warehousekeeper and Accountant are Employs of great Trust but not a fanam advantage.

HENRY POWNEY.

Mr. Orme.

I have not yet taken any Post in Council, I can only say from Experience that the Expences absolutely necessary to maintain the decency due to Our Stations are more than from the best Information I can get are received from those Stations by either Pay or perquisite I think the Abstract of Expences just.

ROBERT ORME.

Storekeeper.

As Storekeeper I do not receive the least perquisite, The Benefit of making of Coir Cordage is annex'd to this Employ, which was always enjoy'd by the Storekr. and Gunner, 'till the last Post was abolish'd and no ways interfers with the Company.

ALEXANDR. WYNCH.

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Land Customer.

THE Land Customer as Fees on chopping of Goods coming in and going out of Town, receives from Pags. 200 @ 250 ℔ annum, as has been Customary time out of mind.

WILLIAM PERCEVAL.

Mility Paymr. & Paymaster.

THE Military Paymaster has no perquisites, And the Paymaster, since the new Regulation of Bricks and Chunam being provided by the Committee, has only a Trifling Advantage not exceeding 100 Pagodas a Year, by procuring Oil, Matts and some other small Articles by whole Sale and delivering them out as wanted for the use of the Garrison.

JOHN SMITH.

Milĩty Storekr.

THE Military Storekeepers Advantages arise from providing of sundry trifling Articles in the Country, at the Risk of his own Money, these are charg'd to the Company at a moderate profit to answer the losses and Inconveniencys the Storekeeper is liable to by making such Advances being a length of time out of his money, and having on hand a Stock of those Articles ready for use when called for, as they are only brought to Account when wanted, & in the year the whole Amount (as farr as I can judge from the Interval I have been in the Employ) is about 3 or 400 Pagodas—And though with the Addition of the other establish'd Allowances I enjoy from the Company amount to Pags. 900 ℔ annum. It is not sufficient as everyone at this Board must be well convinced, to answer the Yearly Expence of Housekeeping, according to the present Rates of provisions and Necessarys of all kinds which are considerably dearer than they were before the loss of the place, including House Rent, even with the frugallest Management I therefore presume it will not be improper to represent the same to the Hoñble Compy, Who may thereby probably be induced to fix some certain Advantages to the several Employs adequate to the Expences which are unavoidable to live with any degree of decency and suitable to the Stations We bear in their Service, more especially as We have not those Indulgences enjoy'd by their Servants at the other presidencies amongst which are Allowances of House Rent and Wine, and a Liberty of taking such necessaries as they have occasion for out of their Warehouses, on more moderate Terms than other Inhabitants.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Messrs. Powney, Orme & Wynch contract to supply the Troops with Provisions.

AGREED that the Care of supplying the Troops with provisions (which has sometime past been, executed by Mr. Alexander Wynch) be now committed to Messrs. Henry Powney, Robert Orme and Alexander Wynch who do hereby undertake and contract to supply the same on the Terms and conditions settled in Consultn. the 26th. Febry. 1753.

Mr. Powney to continue in the Impo. Warehouse & Sea Customers Employs.

AGREED that Mr. Henry Powney continue in the Charge of the Import Warehouse and Sea Customrs. Employs.

Mr. Orme to take Charge of the Accõmpt and Commissarys Employs.

That Mr. Robert Orme enter on the Employs of Accountant & Commissary for keeping the Nabob's Accounts with the Company the first day of November next and that he take Charge of the Export Warehouse on Mr. Boddams Departure for Vizagapatam.

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AND that the other Employs remain as settled in Consultation the 2d. September.

An Assistant being absolutely necessary at the Negrais and the Number of Covenant servants on this Coast being insufficient to transact the business none can be spared, therefore it is Agreed that a Monthly writer (if one can be procured) be entertain'd for that purpose. a Monthly writer to be sent to Negrais.

An Opportunity now offering to reimburse Ourselves on the Presidt. and Council of Bombay for the Mocha Supra Cargo's draft on Us amounting to 54475 A. Rupees, a set of Bills of Exchange are now sign'd drawn on them at 8 dys. Sight for the said sum or Bombay Rupees 53406. 3. 44 Exh. at 2 ℔ Cent payable to Daway Jaigustaubaujee or order value recd. of Gocaul Tervady in fa. Ca. Pags. 14411. 13. 41 at the Exchange of 378 A.Rs. for 100 Pagodas. The Amount of the Mocha Supra Cargos Draft drawn on Bombay.

THE Secretary delivers in the Covenants executed of Mr. William Aldersey writer and Mr. Wm. Belches Free Merchant, ORDERED that they be return'd to England in the Packet ℔ Norfolk. The Covenants of Messrs. Aldersey & Belches executed.

AGREED that eight thousand (8000) Pagodas and eight thousand (8000) Arcot Rupees be advanc'd the Comissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Advance to the Commissary.

Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. pays in two thousand one hundred and sixty two Pagodas, five fanams and sixty seven Cash (2162. 5. 67) for Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Permal Kellavah Chitty pay in the following Rents Vizt. Rents paid in of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm.

Six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Month's Rent of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm due the 1st. September last.

Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas and twelve fans. (333. 12) for one Month's Rent of the Arrack and Wine Licence due the 1st. September last. Arrack & Wine License.

Three hundred and fifty (350) Pagodas for six Months Rent of the Town Brokerage due the 1st. September last. Town Brokerage.

Linga Chittee Farmer of the Trivitore &ca. Villages pays in thirteen hundred (1300) Pagodas for one Years Rent of that Farm due the 1st. September last.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

Arrived Snow Neptune, Andrew Karr, from Pegue. 21ST.

Sailed Sloop Musketoe for Ingeram. 23

Captain Edward Burman being ill and incapable of proceeding on the voyage on the Prince George Orders are sign'd to Mr. William Ormston, the Chief Mate to take the Command and proceed on the voyage. —

Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 21st. Instant. 24TH.

Sailed the Honble Company's Ship Prince George, William Ormston, for the West Coast of Sumatra. —

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24TH. Sent by Pattamars General Letter to Bombay dated this day.

25 Ñecd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 22d. Instt.

— Arrived Lieut. Colonel Stringer Lawrence from Camp last from Fort St. David.

26TH. Sailed the Honble Company's Sloop Dragon, Vellabou Syrang for Fort St. David with General Letter dated the 24th.

27 Ñecd by Tappies General Letter from Pondicherry dated 25th. Inst.

— Sail'd Snow Hartop, John Herriot for Vizagapatam with General Letter dated this day.

— Sailed the Honble Companys Sloop Porto Bello, William Grierson for Bengal with General Letter of this date.

29TH. Sailed Sloop Phoenix, David Mitchell for Tavoy.

— Do. Ketch St. John Baptist, John Murphy for Goa.

30 Ñecd by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated 25. Inst.

Do. by Pattamar Do. from Bombay dated the 16th. Sepr.

31ST. Do. Do. General Letters from Vizagapatam dated 7th. Ingeram 12th. Madapollam ... } Inst.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.

GEORGE PIGOT.	STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHARLES BODDAM.	HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.	ALEXANDER WYNCH.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL.	JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THURSDAY THE 31ST.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Col. Lawrence takes his seat at the Board & His Commission delivered him also The Resolution of the Court of Directors 6 Febry. He is presented in their name with a sword set with Diamonds.

Lieutenant Colonel Stringer Lawrence being arrived from the Army Near Tritchenopoly take his Seat at the Board.

HIS MAJESTYS Brevet (ñecd. in the Packet ℔ Warren appointing Stringer Lawrence Esqr. a Lieutt. Colonel is now delivered to him, And pursuant to Our Honble Masters directions in the 10th. Paragraph of their Commands dated the 15th. March, the Resolution of the Honble Court of Directors of the 6th. Febry. last (an attested Copy whereof was ñecd. in the packet by the Warren) being read and delivered to him, the President in the Company's Name, presented Colonel Lawrence, with a Sword Richly set with Diamonds as a Testimony of their gratitude for his Services to the Company in the Field on which occasion he also ñecd. the Compliments of the Board.

THE Minutes of Consultation dated the 24th. Instant read and sign'd.

Hospital reported.

Mr. Henry Powney reports that he had visited the Hospital and finding the Number of Servants not sufficient to attend the Sick who are much encreas'd, he ordered a proper number of Cooleys to be taken in which the board approve.

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General Letters read. General Letters read.

N°. 203 and 204 from the Deputy Gov^r. and Council of Fort S^t. David, the first dated the 21^st. Instant acknowledging the receit of Ours of the 18^th. and advising that M^r. Charles Turner had taken his seat at that Board, that as we left it to them to appoint a person to M^r. Cookes Employs, the Majority gave them to M^r. Robert Sloper who refuses to take charge of them, pleading that they have always belongd to the Second, they therefore refer it to Us. The second is dated the 22^d. Instant enclosing their Quick Stock and Account Remains also a Letter from M^r. Cooke offering to give Security if insisted on for the difference of the Torn and damaged Cloth, and desiring that the disposal of it may be deferr'd untill his Arrival here. From Fort St. David.

N°. 205 from the Gov^r. and Council of Pondicherry dated the 25^th. Instant, acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 17^th. in relation to a Boat and Men who left one of their Europe Ships and desiring [that their] Boat may be delivered to their Port Master with what may be necessary for his passage, which they will reimburse. From Pondicherry.

N°. 206 from M^r. Charles Hopkins at DeveCotah dated the 25^th. October enclosed Monthly papers for Sep^r. and advising that the Books of that Settlement shall be sent us in a few days. From Deve. Cotah.

N°. 207 from the President and Council of Bombay dated 16^th. September, acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 19^th. July ℔ Protector and qr. Rees. From Bombay.

acquainting Us that if Coja Shawmeir's Bond for B. R^s. 8580. 1. 36 payable to the Gov^r. and Council of Fort S^t. George was duely discharg'd all Acc^t. between him and the Company on that Side are settled, that they should be glad to assist Us in the disposal of Our Woolen Goods, but as they expect above double of what they Indented for, and have a large parcell remaining on hand they shall be embarrass'd with their own, that they should be glad to know how the Bombay Rupees sent us by the Protector turn'd out in Our Mint, because as they are to send all their Surplus Treasure to the Bay, it may answer to the Company to have their old Rupees recoin'd here, instead of doing it there.

N°. 208 from M^r. John Lewen Smith Provisional Chief &c^a. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 7^th. enclosing Duplicates and advising that M^r. Pigot embark'd on the Hartop the 5^th. Instant, having first delivered over the Charge of the Settlement to them assuring Us of their Care in their respective stations & thanking us for promoting them to the same. From Vizagapatam.

N°. 209 from Foss Westcott Esq^r. Resident at Ingeram dated the 12^th. Instant, enclosing Duplicates and Monthly papers. From Ingeram.

N°. 210 from M^r. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated October, acknowledging the receit of Our Letters of the 22^d. August 6^th. & 14^th. September assuring Us of his Endeavours to improve the Manufacture, advising that M^r. De Bussy is at Rajahmundrum that he hopes to be able to Invest the Cash we have sent him, before the Arrival of next Years Shipping, that Rangaurauze has by order of the Rajah given him a Cowle for Bandarmalanka at the Yearly Rent of 1550 Pagodas which it is well worth and may be of great Advantage to the Commissary, that he expects the Confirmation of the Grant from the Rajah, enclosing Monthly Accounts and Quick Stock. From Bandarmalanka.

Letter from M^r. Robert Sloper, read as entered hereafter complaining of the Appointment made in Council at S^t. David by which the Charge of the Export Warehouse is given to him contrary to Custom without any reason being assign'd. Letter from Mr. Sloper at St. David complaining of his Employs given him in Council.

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The Employs at St. David settled.

The disposing of the Employs in Council at Fort S^{t}. David having created some discontents amongst the Gentlemen, to put an end to such dissentions AGREED that they be fixed in the following manner Viz^{t}. THAT

M^{r}. Hugh Norris	2^{d}.	of Council be Export & Import Wareh^{o}.k^{r}. Account [ant] and Paymaster.
Robert Sloper	3^{d}.	Sea and Land Customer of Cuddalore Reñ. Gen. & [Scavenger].
Richard Fairfield	4th.	Storek^{r}. Milit$\tilde{y}$ Storek^{r}. & Secretary.
Charles Turner	5th.	Sea and Land Custom^{r}. [of] Tevenepatam & Mit$\tilde{y}$ [Paymaster].

Disposal of the Torn Cloth deferr'd till Mr. Cookes arrival.

AGREED that the disposal of the torn and damaged Cloth be deferr'd untill M^{r}. Cooke's Arrival here agreeable to his desire.

Coll. Bagshaw desires Tumbrils &c^{a}. for the Kings forces & represents the bad consequences of sprits sold at Cuddalore.

Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw read as entered hereafter, representing that a number of Tumbrils Bullocks &c^{a}. will be wanted for the army to take the field and desiring that they be got ready, also representing the pernicious Effects of Spirituous Liquors sold amongst the Kings Troops, and requesting that it may be put under some Regulation.

The first referr'd to Col. Lawrence. & St. David wrote to on the second.

AGREED that it be referr'd to Lieu^{t}. Colonel Lawrence to settle with Lieutenant Colonel Bagshaw what may be necessary for his Majestys Troops to take the field and in regard to the retailing of Spirituous Liquors at Cuddalore, AGREED that the Gentlemen at S^{t}. David be directed to see that the Arrack Farmers be kept strictly to the terms of their Cowle and that none but such as are licensed be suffered to sell Liquors under severe penaltys, that the Commander in Chief may inspect the Licens'd Houses to see that no adulterated Liquors be sold and upon Complaint of any such that the Houses be suppress'd.

Exors of Peter Baslieu desire paymt. of a Bond due to him. To be paid.

Letter from M^{r}. Godeheu and the Executors of Peter Baslieu, read as entered hereafter desiring to be paid the Sum of 5000 Pagodas due to his Estate by the Company and to be inform'd what directions the Compy have given in relation to his house.

AGREED that the Bond of the President and Council of this Settlement before it fell into the hands of the French for 5000 pagodas to the said Baslieu & Interest be discharg'd that the Exors be advised thereof, and also that the Compy have not given Us any directions in relation to the House.

The Kings Troops to be on the same footing as the Companys.

AGREED that his Majesty's Troops be put upon the same footing as the Companys.

Mr. Taylors opinion of the Island & Harbour of the Negrais & Trade with Pegue.

Letter from M^{r}. Thomas Taylor lately arrived from the Negrais read as entered hereafter giving his opinion of the Island and Harbour of the Negrais and the Advantages that may be expected from a Trade to Pegue.

Committee report on the Letters of Mess^{rs}. Boddam & Brohier. To lye on the Table

Mess^{rs}. Henry Powney, John Smith and Charles Bourchier (the Committee for enquiring into the Matters set forth in the Letters of Mess^{rs}. Charles Boddam and John Brohier) lay their Report before the Board, which is ordered to lye on the Table to be further Considered.

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Letter from Mr. Archibald Keir read desiring that he may be rank'd on the List of Surgeons next after Mr. Handcock ORDERED that the said Letter do lye on the Table.

Letter from Mr. Keir to lye on the table.

AGREED that the Cowle for Bandarmalanka be accepted on the Terms mention'd by Mr. Andrews in his Letter read in Consultation this day.

Cowle for Bandarmalanka to be accepted.

AGREED that Mr. Tisoe Saul HanCock who has for several Years been entaind as Surgeon at DeveCotah and Fort St. David be recommended to the Company to succeed on this Coast next after Mr. James Wilson.

Mr. Hancock recommended home to succeed as surgeon [after] Mr. Jas. Wilson.

The Storekeeper acquaints the Board that he had called upon Captain Bonham for 33 coils of Cordage mention'd in his Bill of Lading wt. 204. 2. 22 but Captain Bonham declares it was return'd at Gravesend after the Bills of Lading were sign'd and as it amounts to a considerable Sum he requests that it may be referr'd home to be settled.

O. qrs. lb.

Deficient cordage Norfolk referred home.

As Captain Bonham positively avers that the Cordage was return'd AGREED that it be endors'd on his Bill of Lading and referr'd to the Company.

THE Import Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper deliver in as entered hereafter their respective Accounts Damage and deficiency of Goods ℔ Norfolk.

Accot. deficiencys Norfolk dd. in.

THE Military Storekeeper acquaints the Board that he had called upon Captains Alwright Norway and Wilson of Ships London, Britannia and Kent for the Arms &ca. which they were permitted to bring from Europe on their Indulgence, on Condition that in Case they should not be disposed of at Madagascar for Provisions they were to be delivered here to the Company at Prime Cost, and that they had accordingly delivered to him at Prime Cost the greatest part with an Account of what expended at Madagascar, which he now lays before the Board.

Arms recd. ℔ Kent London & Britannia which were to be sold at Madagascar or delivered here, accounted for.

THE Musters of Cloth lately sent up from DeveCotah as an Essay towards an Investment having been examin'd by the Members of the Board they deliver in their Remarks to be entered in these Minutes as follows.

Remarks on the Deve-Cotah Musters of Cloth.

REMARKS on the DEVECOTAH MUSTERS by the Gentlemen of Council.

THE Musters of the * Succatoons do not answer the Companys Indent in fineness, being fit only for the Dye.

THE Beteelas of 40 Covids long and 2½ broad at Ps. 42 ℔ corge do not appear near so good in proportion as the St. David Beteelas of the same length's and Bredths at 38 ℔ Co[rge].

Cō.

THE Long Cloth Chially 12 Cauls 71 long, 2¼ broad at Pags. 64. 18 ℔ Corge is not equal to the St. David long Cloth fine of 72 long and 2¼ broad at Pags. 64. ℔ Corge.

Cō.

Cō.

THE 11 Caul Cloth 70 long and 2¼ broad at Pags. 59. 18 is a sort of Cloth the Company have not yet dealt in.

Salampores fine of too coarse a Thread, St. David Price 26¾ DeveCotah Pags. fa.
28. 5.

* a variety of cotton cloth: *Love's Vestiges* Vol. III page 146.

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Ensign's commission to be granted to Mr. John Dyer as [a] Supernumerary for Negrais.

AGREED that a Commission as a Supernumerary Ensign on the Negrais Establishment be granted to Mr. John Dyer & that he take his passage thither on the Cuddalore Sloop, and that by the same Conveyance a Reinforcement (to replace those that are dead) be sent, of six Military, one Serjeant of Artillery and 6 Men of the Train with a Supply of ten thousand Rupees and one thousand Pagodas worth of fanams.

2000 Pags. to be remitted to St. David by Bill.

AGREED that twenty thousand Pagodas be remitted to Fort St. David by Bill.

Tripoty Rent paid on the Nabobs Account.

Mr. Alexander Wynch Commissary pays in fifteen thousand five hundred forty eight Pagodas, thirty three fanams (15548. 33) being in full for six thousand Pagodas and thirty six thousand Arcot Rupees at 377 ℔ % by him recd. from Gocaul Terwady Acco[t]. of Sanavasa Cherry Collector of the Tripoty Revenues being a part of what recd. by him for the September Kist 1754.

ORDERED that the said sum be carried to the Credit of Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn.

Monthly Accot. read.

Thomas Saunders Esq[r]. Mint Master reads that Account for last Month, Ballance remaining in the Mint eight hundred and six thousand three hundred and ninety six Arcot Rupees, ten annaes (806396. 10) two hundred and ninety

Mint.

five (295) Madrass Pagodas and one hundred and two thousand nine hundred and thirty eight Current Pagodas, thirty one fanams and fifty Cash (102938. 31. 50).

Export warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousek[r]. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him one hundred and ninety two Pagodas, twenty six fanams & forty six Cash (192. 26. 46) which is carried forward.

Import warehouse.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him nineteen thousand six hundred and fifty seven Pagodas eighteen fanams and seventy six Cash (19657. 19. 76) [*sic*] which is carried forward.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month seven thousand and nine Pag[s]. twenty-seven fanams and twenty-four cash (7009.27.24) which is carried forward.

Alexander Wynch Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him two thousand four hundred and forty four Pagodas, twenty two fanams and twenty eight Cash (2444. 22. 28) which is carried forward.

Land Customer Storehouse.

William Perceval Land Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred & eighty two Pagodas, fourteen fanams and thirteen Cash (582. 14. 13) which he paid in the 21[st]. Instant.

Paymaster.

John Smith Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Viz[t].

Charges Garrison	219	20	66
Charges Hospital..	219	12	—
Peons and servants wages	376	22	—
Charges general	86	31	10
Charges Extraordinary	294	—	47
Repairs	1513	24	1
Fortifications	505	9	69
Poonemalee &c[a]. villages	20	7	30
St. Thomé &c[a]. villages	20	31	25
Allowance of the Court of Requests	23	12	—
Household necessaries	220	14	40
Charges cattle	66	24	—
Charges diet	583	12	—
	4150	5	48

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Ballance due to him eleven hundred and fifty Pagodas five fanams and forty eight Cash (1150. 5. 48) which is carried forward.

THE Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are entered hereafter.

John Smith Military Paymaster read that Account for last Month Ballance due to him nine hundred and fifty nine Pagodas, twelve fanams and fifty eight Cash (959. 12. 58) which is carried forward. Milĩty Paymr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him three hundred & seventeen Pagodas, thirty one fanam & fifty one Cash (317. 31. 51) which is carried forward. Milĩty Storekr.

THE Journal Parcells for August are laid before the Board, as is also the Engineers Account of the Charges of Justifications and Repairs. Journal parcels.

Henry Powney Impo. Wareho. kr. pays in three thousd. seven hundred and eighty three Pagodas, twenty eight fanams and seventeen Cash (3783. 28. 17) for Rupees sold. Money paid in By the Impot. war ho.kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Customer.

Gruapah Farmer of Perrembore &ca. Villages pays in seven hundred (700) Pagodas in full for 1 Years Rent of that Cowle due the first of September last. & Rent of Perembore &ca.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash. Advances to the

To the Commissary to defray the charges of the Troops abroad	Pags. 3243	8	60	Commissary
To the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ ..	5000	—	—	Paymaster.
To the Military Paymr. to pay the Military	6540	19	37	Milĩty Paymr. &
To the Military Storekr. for the Charges of that Employ	600	—	—	Milĩty storekr.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As I have had the Honour of being employ'd by your Honble Board on an expedition to the Negrais, I beg leave to present you with some few Remarks that I have made on that place and of the Town of Persain.

THE Entrance and falling in with the Negrais, We have found by a Survey taken by Captn. Wm. Grierson in March last not to be near so dangerous as [We] before apprehended it to be, to the Westward of Cape Negrais is soundings 40 and 50 fathom, ten or twelve L[eague] of Shore and these Soundings reaches to the Southwest of the Laguardas but to the Northward of the Cape, the Soundings does not run out near so far, it is not safe for any Ship to come under ten fathom Water rounding the Cape, as there is foul ground and over falls so that it is not adviseable for any Ship to go nearer the Cape and Shore towards Pagoda Point than five Miles untill Diamond Island is in Sight at E.N.E. or E. by N. at which time the Ships Course must be so directed as to

bring Pagoda Point N. E. and Diamond Island East, then N. W. Point of the little Negrais will be open with Pagoda Point and this is a good place to Anchor in case a Ship want a Pilot, I would not Advise any Ship to go nearer to Pagoda Point in the Southwest Monsoon, without going into the Harbour as there is a great Sea occasion'd by the South West swell meeting the Ebb Tide, which raises a great Surf from Diamond Island to Pagoda Point notwithstanding there is seven fathom Water, but on the flood Tide and in the N. E. Monsoon it is smooth Water—if a Stranger should want to go in without a pilot, after he has brought his Ship to the above bearings, he may direct his Course directly for the opening made by the N. W. Point of the Negrais and Pagoda Point, and must mind to keep them at the same bearings, as the Ebb Tide setts to the W.S.W. and [. . .] flood to the E.N.E. gives Pagoda Point a Birth of one Qu-[arter] of a Mile and when you have shut in the Land to the Westward of Pagoda Point, the flood Tide runs up the Negrais Harbour, he is then to steer directly for the opening made by the N. W. Point of the little Negrais and Main Land which may be done with a Leading Gale with Safety, When you come up to the N. W. Point of the little Negrais, keep about Mid Channel 'till you have past it, then you may Anchor in the Harbour in 5 or 6 Fathoms, soft Mud all the Way to the N.E. Point, I judge the N.E. End of the Harbour to be the best place for Ships to refit and Carreen as it is entirely defended from the Sea, and s°. erly Winds, but the S.W. end lays too open to the Sea for any such work.

I judge the N. E^{t}. part of the Island Negrais to be the most proper place for a Town, and think it will not be so sickly as Our present situation, here the ground is higher than the high Water Mark, and the Beach, Sand and Gravel, but at Our present Situation the Tide flows 50 or 60 yards nearer the Hills than the inner part of Our Works, and leaves a number of small fish and Slimy Mud, which has so great a Stench when the Water leaves it, that it alone is sufficient to make any body sick, and the Beach is Ozey Mud, it is the most capable of making the greatest defence as it will give an Enemy an immense deal of Trouble to approach it by land, admitting they should make themselves Masters, of the S°.ern Part of the Island, they will have to go thro. a Morras or bring their Baggage over the Hills, which I think is impossible to do with any thing more than a Man can carry upon his back as they will be oblig'd to go down into many deep valleys, and I think an Engineer may so dispose of his defences upon those Hills that the back part of the Town may never be in danger of being taken, this part of the Island produces great quantitys of blue Marbel and Clay to make bricks and very good Timber. The Peguers say We may get, free Stones out of the Hills, We dig'd into a Hill, about 6 foot, found the Clay to be white two foot deep but soft, at six foot it was much harder but the excessive hard rain put an end to Our design. The Southern part of the Island does not produce any Materials to carry on any Buildings, the Wood is small & crook'd and the Soil sandy so that all the Materials must be carry'd to it, for if in case the Island should be requir'd to be fortify'd, I think Batterys or small Forts would be absolutely necessary upon the N. W. and S. E^{t}. points and if that upon the N. W. point was to have heavy Cannon upon it they might annoy any Ships greatly coming in.

Persaim by all Accounts is a Wholesome Country at least I found it so from the beginning of Sp^{r}. 'till March, at which time Our people was Sickly at the Negrais, It's a ruin'd City that formerly belong'd to the Portugueze and at present round the Ruins is a fence made of thick Plank about 12 or 14 foot high, it is about 1400 Yards in length and about 900 Yards in bredth, it has likewise a ruin'd Citidal of about 350 Yards in length and 250 Yards in breadth, and round the outside of the Walls for about two Miles is the ruines of many brick Houses, Malabar and Pegu Pagodas, it seems as if it had been a place of great Consequence, the * Tallapoys have inform'd me that by their Manuscripts a great Number of China Men, inhabited this place & they not only traded to

* Talapoin, a word used by the Portuguese and others to designate the Buddhist monks of Ceylon and the Indo-Chinese countries—*Hobson Jobson*, page 890.

the East part of China, but to the West part overland, and at the same time the Portugueze govern'd the City it had a very extensive Trade and that the N. E. point of the little Negrais was then Inhabited. We have discovered there a foundation of a brick house and a large Mallabar Tank.

Persaim River has a Communication with the grand River to Ava, and joins it a little below Prone & I have been inform'd by Burma Merchants & Armenians who have lived in Ava many Years that great Quantity of Salt Petre were produced in the Country between Prone and Ava, and that before the Revolution it might be bought at the rate of 8 Pagodas ℔ Candy for the first sort, the Country likewise produces Silk and Cotton, & I think in all probability a Cloth Manufacture might be carry'd on, as I have never seen a House without a Loom and Spinning Wheel, and that We may dispose of great quantitys of Woolen Cloths, the people in general seem to be fond of it, and what is now sold goes through the Mallabar hands, so that by the time the Peguers or Burmars get it, it amounts to near one hundred ℔ Cent on the Madrass Price.

THE present Government of Pegue is excessively arbutary, [*sic*] so that when the King pleases, he can demand every thing in the world that any of his Subjects has, and if there is any such thing as Slavery in the World, I think the Peguers wear that Yoke & they think that all Europeans that come into their Country is as much their Slaves, and that they have as much right to their properties as to their own Subjects and it is from this Principal that they are jealous of having a European Power independent of them in their Country.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humn. Servt.
THOMAS TAYLOR.

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. OCTOBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS.

I am sorry to have reason for troubling you with this Address, the occasion of which is from the following Occurrences.

At a Consultation held this day in Consequence of your Honour &ca. General Letter to this place, I think of the 18th. Instant, the Appointment of the several Employs by the alteration in Council was entered upon when the Deputy Govr. proposed Mr. Hugh Norris for Warehousekeeper and Accountant, he being appointed 2d. of Council, who has always been esteem'd the proper peson for that Trust, but contrary to all proceedings in time past some of the Gentlemen of the Board was differently disposed, upon which, I requested their reasons, as it affected me in regard to the Employ, I regularly succeeded to, which they absolutely refused to give. This being an unparalled[*sic*] Case was unwilling to enter into a Charge so contrary to all former Appointments, without any just reason to doubt the Capacity or abilitys of the Gentleman at present directed to be Second of Council, which otherwise might give Cause—And further more presuming a thing of this nature might be contrary to your Honour &ca's Intentions, I with due submission take the liberty of representing the present case, being well assured of your Honour &ca's, Impartial Consideration and Appointment according to the long Approved Rules—observed here, and not permit the private or Sinister Ends of any one to set it aside, where no just Reason to the contrary is offered.

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I shall conclude with assuring your Honour &c^{a}. that whilst I have the Honour to serve my Honble Masters, shall to the utmost of my Abilitys endeavour to discharge whatever trust is reposed in me, with faithfulness and fidelity, so long as it shall please God to afford me Health and Strength to undertake it.

I am very respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum. Serv^{t}.
ROBERT SLOPER.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
21ST. OCTOBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THE PRESIDENT
AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

I am directed by Colonel Adlercron to represent to you, that agreeable to a Return from the Officer who commands the Detachment of Artillery, it will be necessary to fit the Kings Troops to take the Field to provide for,

The Artillery consisting of twelve pieces of Cannon

Waggons for the Powder ..	Three.
Tumbrils for the Ammunition &c^{a}.	Thirty six.
Bullocks for the Guns, above Carriages and sundry Stores ...	Three hund. & seventy eight.
Bullocks extra	Fifty.

For the Regiments Ammunition.

Tumbrils	Nine.
Bullocks for D^{o}.	Fifty four.

For which he begs you will be pleased to give the necessary and immediate Orders.

I am likewise to represent to you the pernicious Effects from the Arrack sold at Cuddalore to the Kings Troops, who daily sicken or dye and to desire you will please to put the selling of it under a Regulation, and I take the Liberty to offer the following one as a means to prevent vending bad Liquors.

That you will please to direct the Deputy Governour at Fort S^{t}. David to license a certain Number of Houses to sell Arack or such other Liquors as shall be named in the License.

That all other Houses be forbid by Proclamation to sell any under Certain severe Penalties, and being turn'd out of Town.

That the Names of the persons allowed to keep licens'd Houses be given to the Commander in Chief.

That the Commander in Chief shall as often as he judges necessary send persons to examine into the Goodness of the Arrack and other Liquors sold there.

AND when any Liquors are found of a bad sort, the Deputy Governour be desired upon a Representation from the Commander in Chief to suppress such House, and give the License to one that will make a juster use of it.

I have the Honour to be
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient & most
Hum. Se^{vt}.
SAMUEL BAGSHAW.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
OCTOBER 30TH. 1754.

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MR. SAUNDERS
GOVR. OF MADRASS.

SIR

THE Obligation we are under of giving an account of the Estate of Mr. Peter Baslieu deced to the several Heirs, induces us to trouble you for the Recovery of the Sum of five thousand Pagodas, which that Gentlemen lent to the Company's Cash. We write to you on this subject the more confidently as by your last of the 26th. February, you deferr'd the payment of this Sum with the Interest to the Arrival of the first Europe Ships. We wrote to you in July last but received no Answer. We depend also Sir that you will please to inform Us, as you promised what Resolution the Company shall have taken concerning the House of the said Mr. Baslieu.

We are with most perfect consideration.

SIR
Your most Humble and
most Obedient Servants
GODEHEU.
MATHON *Priest, Prō. Gen. &.*
F. SEBASTIEN.
Cap. Miss Apost. Car.

PONDICHERRY
24TH. OCTOBER 1754.

ACCOUNT of GOODS DAMAG'D AND DEFICIENT ℔ SHIP NORFOLK.

Broad Cloth Fine Green ..	1 Piece damag'd.			£.	5	13	—	
Broad Cloth Aurora	1	d°.	d°.		6	15	3	
Broad Cloth Ordinary Viz.								
Red	1	d°.	d°.		4	17	9	
Blue	5	d°.	d°.		27	1	3	
Popenjays	1	d°.	d°.		4	17	6	
Perpetuanoes	6	d°.	d°.		16	10	—	
		ϕ	qr.	lb.				
Copper 25 hds. Deficient ..		3	2	19		17	3	1
					£.	82	17	10
Charges ½ ℔ Cent ..						—	8	3
					£.	83	16	1
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..						24	19	10
					£.	108	5	11

a. 8 sh. ℔ Pag.
270 26 50

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. OCTOBER 1754.

HENRY POWNEY
Impo. Wareh°k.

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ACCOUNT DEFICIENCY OF STORES AND SHORT DELIVERY ℔ NORFOLK.

	ϕ	qr.	lb.			
Iron Bar	5	1	8	£4	6	8
Deals 6				—	12	1
Euffirs 4				—	9	11
				£5	8	8
Advance 30 ℔ .. Ct.				1	12	7
				7	1	3

a. 8 ℔ Pags. is Pags. 17 23 50

FORT ST. GEORGE
31ST. OCTOBER 1754.

ALEXANDR. WYNCH.
Storekr.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES IN THE PAYMASTERS ACCOUNTS ARE IN THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS 30TH SEPTEMBER 1754.

Hospital charges	P. 8	10	43
Charges General	—	19	42
Charges Extraordinary	294	—	47
Repairs	1513	24	1
Fortifications	505	9	69
Poonemalle &cª. Villages	20	7	30
Stt. Thome &cª. Villages	20	31	25
Allowances of the Court of Request	23	12	—
Household Necessaries	220	14	40
Pagodas.	2606	21	57

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ JOHN SMITH
Paymr.

31ST. NOVR. Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort Stt. David dated this day.

4TH. Sailed Ship George Herbert Sutherland for Pegue.

5TH. Sent by Tappies Letter to Fort Stt. David from the Secretary enclosing a Remittance for twenty thousand Pags.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

GEORGE PIGOT.	STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHARLES BODDAM.	HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.	ALEXANDER WYNCH.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL.	JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNESDAY 16TH.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

THE Minutes of last Consultation read & sign'd.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1754* ——

THE President proposes to the Consideration of the Board, whether it will not be advisable to detain the Norfolk some time that the Company may be advised of the result of Conferences proposed to be held at Sadrass, after some debate in which was well weigh'd and considered, the risque of the Ship at this Season and on the other hand the Importance of sending the Company early and certain Advices of Our situation either with respect to Peace of [*sic*] War; the latter seeming of the greatest Consequence, It is AGREED that Captn. Bonham be directed to carry his Ship out into twenty fathom Water, and there receive the remainder of his Cargo on board, that as soon as this is done, the packet for England be closed and delivered to the Captain with Orders to lye at an Anchor in the Offing, and in Case a Gale of Wind should come on so as to render his Continuance there dangerous, to put to sea and proceed on his Voyage to Europe.

The Norfolk to lye in the offing.

Packet to be closed as soon as the Bales are on board but the Ship not to sail unless oblig'd by Stress of Weather.

Colonel Lawrence (to whom it was referr'd the 31st. Ulto. to settle with Colonel Bagshaw what might be necessary to be prepared for his Majestys Troops to take the field) represents that three hundred Draft and one hundred and thirty Carriage Bullocks will be absolutely necessary to be got ready for that purpose.

430 Bullocks wanted for the Kings Troops.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to procure as many Bullocks as possible either by purchasing, hiring or Contracting at a certain rate ℔ day, that Mr. James Bourchier act as Commissary to the Kings Troops when they take the field and that he proceed to Fort St. David by the first opportunity and take under his Charge the Bullocks as they are procured and see them properly train'd to the Yoke.

St. David to be wrote to on that head.

Letter from Mr. William Perceval read as entered hereafter, representing that Mr. David Hunter having disburs'd two thousand Rupees which has not been brought to Account as appears by a Memorandum he left with Mr. Brooke, he therefore requests that the same may be paid as well as one hundred and ten Pagodas, being the Amot. of Sundry Necessarys sent him as ℔ Bill now delivered in, He likewise represents that Mr. Brooke has also sent him a Memorandum he had from Mr. Hunter in his illness, whereby it appears that Mr. Hunter lost two thousand Rupees by the Insurrection of the Coffreys, which Sum Mr. Perceval also requests may be paid.

Mr. Perceval desires Payment of money expended by Mr. Hunter at Negrais but not charg'd.

also money he lost by the insurrection of the Coffreys.

As to the two former sums, being Money actually disburs'd on the Expedition, the Board are of opinion the Estate of Mr. Hunter should not suffer by their not having been brought to Account, and the same are therefore Ordered to be paid, but in regard to the two thousand Rupees (or one thousand Dollars which Mr. Hunter mentions in his Letter of the 20th. September 1753.) lost by the Coffreys, the Board are of opinion that they cannot justify the paymt. of it without Directions from the Company, but as Mr. Hunter was a great sufferer by the Expedition and lost his Life in it, 'its AGREED to recommend it to Our Honble Masters.

The first to be paid.

The Latter referr'd home.

Letter from Captn. Schaub representing that the Lodgins [*sic*] for the Officers are not sufficient to accomodate all those in Garrison and therefore requesting in Behalf of those Officers that other Lodgins [*sic*] may be provided, or that they may have an Allowance of Money in lieu, represents. also that the Barracks are in want of Repair & Guard Beds.

Letter from Captn. Schaub requesting Lodgings for the officers that are not provided or an Allowance in lieu.

With regard to the Lodgings as one Officer is equally as well entitled to them as another, those who are unprovided have certainly just Cause of Complaint, and to build Appartments for the whole, would be putting the Company to a very great expence but this is not the only difficulty that occurs, for the same inconvenience is at this time experienced by the servants on the Civil List, the Appartments in the Fort being some times insufficient to accomodate the Junior Servants and certainly one servant of the Company's is as well

The Board are of opinion the Comp. Servants Civil & Militry should have an allowance for Lodging

entitled to Appartments as another or to an Allowance in lieu, Upon the whole the Board are of opinion that it would be proper to make a reasonable Allowance to such of the Company's Servants Civil and Military as are not provided with Appartments But the further Consideration of this Affair is deferr'd till after the Norfolk's Dispatch.

to be further considered.

Letter from Captain Donald Campbell requesting permission to take his Passage to Europe on the Norfolk, which is granted.

Capt̃n. Donald Campbell requests permission of Passage ℔ Norfolk. granted.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance compared with the Chest thirty nine thousand eight hundred and sixteen Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and fifty nine Cash (39816. 27. 59) and five hundred and six Madrass Pagodas, twenty one fanams and thirty five Cash (506. 21. 35) which is carried forward.

Cash account read.

The Treasury Accounts are also read, the several Ballances being compared and found right Viz^{t}. Silver forty Chests and one Quarter containing eleven thousand seven hundred and eight Pounds, four Ounces and ten Pennyweights (11708. 4. 10) Gold five Chests containing sixteen thousand two hundred and forty two Ounces five Pennyweights and eight Grains (16242. 5. 8) Arcot Rupees seven hundred and sixty two thousand and thirty one, seven annaes and nine pice (762031. 7. 9) Madrass Rupees three thousand two hundred and thirty five (3235) And Current Pagodas one hundred and thirty two thousand (132000).

Treasury accounts read.

Agreed that ten thousand (10000) Pagodas be advanced Tellisinga Chittee &c^{a}. Merchants on account the Investment.

Advance to Tellisinga &c. Accot. the Investm^{t}.

Thos. Saunders.
George Pigot.
Stringer Lawrence.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Robert Orme.
A^{r}. Wynch.
Will^{m}. Perceval.
John Smith.
Ch^{s}. Bourchier.

To the Hon̄ble Thomas Saunders Esq^{r}.
President and Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Council
of Fort S^{t}. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

I humbly request your Honour &c^{a}. Council will permit me to proceed to England on the Hon̄ble Company's Ship, Norfolk and that Captain Bonham may be served with a Permit to receive me and my necessarys on board I am

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hum. Serv^{t}.
Donald Campbell.

Fort S^{t}. George
6th. Nov^{r}. 1754.

Dr. The Honble United Companys Cash.

1	To Ballance brought from last Months account	Pags. 25415	6	8
7	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd of him on his running Account	1100	—	—
—	To Powney Henry Import Warehokr. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe ..	4000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Warehoo. kr. recd of him for Rupees sold	1621	22	30
—	To Henry Powney Do. Do. Do. to discharge the Bill drawn from Mocha as ℔ Contra ..	14411	13	41
12	To Henry Powney Import Warehoo. kr. recd of him for Rups. sold	2000	—	—
14	To Henry Powney Do. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe	7000	—	—
—	To Account Current London for two Setts of Certificates to the Honble Court of Directors of this date recd of the followg. Persons Vizt. 1 Account the Estate of Hugh Burnet decd late belonging to the Ship Warren recd of Captn. Alphons. Glover. 349 —			
	Carried over ..	55548	5	79

℔ Contra. Cr.

1	By John Smith Milty Paymaster advanc'd him to pay the Military	5621	22	30
—	By John Smith Paymaster advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ	4000	—	—
3d	By Fort Marlbro paid the Amount of the undermention'd Certificates as ℔ Consultation 23d. Ulto.			

Cert. for Dollars	To whom payable.	Value of whom recd.	Sum.		
1943 — 81	Charles Bourchier.	Thomas Combes.	1177	25	11
12000 — —	Edmund Maskelyne.	Captn. Morrisett. & Capt. Lieut. Gabbet.	727	9	65
400 — —	Thos. Pelling,	Captn. Lieut. Pero.	242	15	21
3600 — —	Willm. Dogan.	William Dogan.	2182	29	36
			4329	7	53
7th.	By Fort St. David consign'd to the Deputy Govr. & Council there ℔ Ship Warren 72000 fanams a. 36. ℔ Pagoda	2000	—	—
—	By Alexander Wynch Comissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ..	5621	22	30
—	By Account Current London paid a Bill of Exch. drawn 22d. August last by Messrs. Jas. Waller, Jas. Collison & Richd. Nelly, Supra Cargo's at Mocha for New Philip Dollars 24000 a. 88. 19, for 100 Dollrs. producing in the Mint here A. Rs. 54475 Exch. a. 378 A./R . ℔ % Pagodas ..	oz. dwts.	14411	13	41
	Carried over ..		35983	29	7

FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER, 1754—cont.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..		55548	5	79
1	Account the Estate of William Halkerston decd late belonging to the Ship Warren recd of Captain Alphonsus Glover Messrs. William Tryon, Wm. Scott and Row Purnell ..	349 —			
			698	—	—
21st.	To William Perceval Land Customer, recd of them in full of the Ballance of that Account for last Month ..		582	14	13
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. recd of him on his running Account ..		2000	—	—
—	To Gruapah Farmer of Egmore &ca. Villages, recd of him in full for one years Rent of that Cowle due 1st. Septr. last		1450	—	—
—	To Batta gain'd on the Exchange of 1000 Pagodas into Fanams at 42 ℔ Pagoda—6000 fanams a 36 ℔ Pagoda		166	24	—
—	To Estate of Mathew Empson decd recd of Charles Boddam and Charles Bourchier late Paymaster and Secretary Account said Estate as ℔ Consultation this day ..		2602	29	24

CONTRA—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..	35983	29	7
—	By Account Current London advanc'd Captain Roger Mainwaring to purchase provisions &ca. for the Ship Colchester for which he has given a set of Bills of Exchange of this date on his Charterparty Owners	3000	—	—
—	By Claud Russell Accompt Genl. of the Mayors Court, paid his Draft in favour of Stepen Marhus the Estate of Bobjohn Mathews ..	446	13	40
10th.	By Fort Marlbro, paid the Amount of the following Certificates as ℔ Consultation the 30th. Ultimo.			

Cert. for Dollrs.	To whom payable.	Value of whom recd.	Sum.
825	John Walsh	Richard Preston.	P. 500 — —
1625	Walsh & Vansittart.	Thos. Combes.	1000 — —
			1500 — —

14th.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ..	7000	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper, advanc'd him to pay for Sundrys purchas'd for Presents	1500	—	—
16	By Claud Russell Accompt. Genl. of the Mysore Court, paid his Draft in favour of Samp. Moses Account the Estate of Levy Moses as ℔ Consultation 14th. Instant	186	9	61
24th.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the charges of the Troops abroad	10162	5	67
31st,	By Alexander Wynch Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the troops abroad	3243	8	60
—	By Charles Bourchier, Military Storekr. advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	600	—	—
		63621	31	62
—	By Ballance carried to next Months Account ..	39816	27	59

	The Honrable United Company cash—cont.			
21st	To Estate of William Le fevre deed recd of Charles Boddam & Charles Bourchier late Paymaster and Secretary Account said Estate as ℔ Consultation this day	34	13	40
24th	To Account Current London recd for a Sett of Bills of Exchange of this date drawn on the President and Council of Bombay for Bby Rups. 53406 3 44 or Arcot Rupees 5,4475 payable at 8 days sight to Daivay Jaigustaubaujee value recd of Gocaul Tervady as ℔ Consultation on this day Exch. 378 A.Rs. for 100ps.	14,411	13	41
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chittee Beetle and Tobacco Farmers, recd of them for one Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. September last,	666	24	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence, recd of them one Month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Ulto.	333	12	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellava Chitee Farmers of the Town Brokerage recd of them six Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. September last	350	—	—
		78843	28	37
	Carried over —	103,438	23	41

FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER, 1754—cont.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..	78,543	28	37
24th	To Henry Powney Import Wareh°. kr. recd of him on Account of Rupees sold	2,162	5	67
—	To Linga Chittee Farmer of Trivitore &ca. villages recd of him one Years Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. September last	1,300	—	—
31st	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareh°. kr. recd of him for Rupees sold	3,783	28	17
—	To Ditto .. Sea Customer d°. on his running Accot.	1,100	—	—
	To Gruapah Farmer of Trivitore &ca. villages, recd of him one Years Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Sept. last	700	—	—
—	To Nabob Mahamud Ally Cawn, recd of the Commissary in part of what is due from Sannavasa Cherry, Collector of the Tripoty Revenues on Account of the Septembr. Kist 1754	15,548	33	—
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGS.	1,03,438	23	41

CONTRA—*cont.*

Brought forward ..	103438	23	41
STAR OR CURRR: PAGS.	1,03,438	23	41

MADRAS PAGODAS Dr.

1 To Ballance brought from last month's Account	506	21	35

℔ CONTRA Cr.

31 By Ballance carried to the next Month's Account	506	21	53

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

1754—30

Dr. FORT ST. GEORGE, TREASURY ACCOUNTS 1754—*cont.* Cr.

SILVER

			chests.	lb.	oz.	pwts.			chests.	lb.	oz.	pwts.
Octobr.	1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	20¼	5,895	..	..	Octobr.	30th. By Ballance carried to next month.	40¼	11,738	4	10
		To Account Current London recd. ℔ ship London.	20	5,813	4	..						
		Chest ..	40¼	11,708	4	10						

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

Dr. Cr.

GOLD

			chests.	oz.	pwt.	gr.			chests.	oz.	pwt.	gr.
Octobr.	1.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	5	16,242	5	8	Octobr.	1. By Thomas Saunders Esq. Mint Master delivered him.	5	16,242	5	8

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM,
HENRY POWNEY.

Dr. FORT ST. GEORGE, TREASURY ACCOUNTS 1754—*cont.* Cr.

MADRAS RUPEES

October 1.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	3,235	..	..	October 31st	By Ballance	3,235	..	..

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

Dr. Cr.

ARCOT RUPEES

October 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	35,003	12	9	October 7th.	By Import Warehouse-keeper delivered for Sale.	6,000	..	..
2d	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master rẽcd of him.	4,80,000	..	..	—	By Ditto	54,475	..	..
					12th.	By Ditto Dº. ..	7,560	..	..
20th.	To Dº. ..	3,20,000	..	..	24th.	By Ditto Dº. ..	8,000	..	..
21.	To Bombay Presidency for the Amount of a Bill of Exchange on Ombayadoss.	10,362	11	..	31st.	By Ditto Dº. ..	14,000	..	..
							90,035	..	..
30th.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master rẽcd of him.	6,700	..	..		By Ballance	7,62,031	7	9
		8,52,066	7	9			8,52,066	7	9

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

Dr. FORT ST. GEORGE, TREASURY ACCOUNTS 1754—*cont.* Cr.

CURRENT PAGODAS

October 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	52,000	..	..	October 7th.	By the Honble Company's Cash paid in	4,000	..	..
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master rẽcd of him.	5,000	..	..	15th.	By Ditto	7,000	..	..
							11,000	..	..
3d.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	6,000	..	..	31st	By Ballance	1,32,000	..	..
5th.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	6,000	..	..					
8th.	To Import Warehousekr. rẽcd of him.	12,000	..	..					
16.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master rẽcd of him.	6,000	..	..					
18.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	6,000	..	..					
20th.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	10,000	..	..					
21.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	10,000	..	..					
28th.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	10,000	..	..					
30th.	To Ditto D°. d°. ..	10,000	..	..					
—	To Import Warehousekeeper rẽcd of him.	10,000	..	..					
		1,43,000	..	..			1,43,000	..	..

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

—— FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1754 ——

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Brooke in a Letter from the Negrais dated 12th. Janry 1754, after advising me of the Death of David Hunter Esqr. tells me, he sends me some Memorandms taken by Mr. Hunters Directions during his Sickness being as follow.

Memorandums—			
Lost on Shore at the time of the Coffrees Insurrection ..	Rups.	2000	— —
Sundry Dollars laid out since my Arrival here of which there is no Account of particulars and which I believe will amount to as much more		2000	— —
	Rups. ..	4000	— —

As these Sums have not been paid, nor any Credit given to the Estate for them, I hope you will please to give orders for the payment of the same. Also for Pags. 110, being the Cost of sundry Liquors and Necessaries sent by me for the Services of the Expedition to the Negrais by Mr. Hunters Orders as ℔ Account Particulars non delivered in—I am

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Hum. Servt.
William Perceval.

Fort St. George
1st November 1754.

The Honble Company Dr: to Sundry Liquors &ca. sent to David Hunter Esqr. for the Expedition to the Negrais in August 1753.

Claret one chest containing 11 doz. a Pags. 6 ℔ dozen	Pags.	66	—
Beer, Two Casks a 8		16	—
Corks 23 Gross		5	—
English Butter 1 Cask		5	—
Two Boxes with Cheeses pz. 48		4	—
Charges of Boat, Cooley hire &ca.		1	—
Sundries sent by Porto Bello Sloop in November 1753.			
Biskett 6 Maunds .. .. Pags.	6 —		
Cheeses 2	3 —		
Tea 4 Catys	4 —		
	———	13	—
Pagods. ..		110	—

William Perceval.

Fort St. George
1st. November 1754.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In obedience to the Orders I received from the Hoñble Govrs. allow me to represent to you Hoñble Sir & Sirs, that the Lodgings destin'd for the use of the Officers are not sufficient to accomodate those that are now actually in

Madrass, Permit me therefore to beg in Behalf of the Officers that this inconveniency may be remedied by either appropriating a greater Number of Lodgings for that use or giving a proper Allowance in money to enable them to provide Lodgings for themselves.

I take the Liberty at the same time of representing to your Honour &c^{a}. that the Barracks are in need of Repairs and of proper Guard Beds, for want of which at this rainy Season of the Year, the Men suffer greatly in their Healths by the Dampness of the Ground, oblig'd to shift to the Sea Gate and other parts of the Town so as that they cant be readily collected together, nor the Officers have a proper Inspection into their Behaviour.

I am with all due Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and
most Humble Servant
J. H. Shaub.

Fort St. George
October 5th. 1754.

—

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day. 7th.

Sailed the Honble Compys Sloop Cuddalore Nathaniel Hammond for Negrais with Gen^{l}. Letter to M^{r}. Henry Brooke Chief dat. 6th. Inst. 9th.

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At a Consultation.

Present.

Thomas Saunders Esq^{r}. Governour President.

George Pigot.	Stringer Lawrence.	Sunday
Charles Boddam.	Henry Powney.	the 10th.
Robert Orme.	Alexander Wynch.	
William Perceval.	John Smith.	

Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read & sign'd.

Report of the Norfolks Ammunition and Warlike Stores and Muster of her Crew read as entered hereafter whereby she appears to be in a proper Condition to proceed on her Voyage to Europe. Norfolk reported.

The Secretary pays in Thirty Pagodas on Account of Captain Donald Campbell, for Permission of passage to Europe on the Norfolk. Captn. Donald Campbell Passage Money paid in.

The following Dispatches are now sign'd. Norfolks despatches sign'd.

General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors.

General Letter to the Gov^{r}. and Council of S^{t}. Helena Indent for Goods for the

Import Warehouse
Storehouse & Military Storehouse
for Books for the Library
for Mint Utensils.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1754* ——

Packet closed but not to be delivered till further Orders.

ORDERED that the Packet be closed but not delivered to Captain Bonham till further Orders.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having Mustered the Norfolks Company commanded by Captain Pinson Bonham, and survey'd her Ordnance Stores as ℔ List annex'd, We conceive she is in a proper Condition to proceed for Europe.

We are with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient and most Humble Servants.
JOHN SMITH.
JOHN BROHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. NOVEMBER 1754.

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14 Delivered Captain Pinson Bonham of the Norfolk an Order to take the first opportunity of carrying his Ship out and anchor in the Offing, where in his Judgment she may ride in the greatest safety and wait there for further Orders, but in the mean time in case any such tempestuous Weather should happen as to render his Continuance there hazardous, in such Case he is to put to Sea keeping as much to Windward as possible and after the danger is passed return and Anchor again in the Road or the Offing, or if that should be impracticable he is then to proceed to the first Port he can fetch into on this Coast, send immediate Advice of his Situation and wait for further Directions.

— Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 9th. Instant.

17 Received by Pattamars General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 15th. September.

22d. Dispatch'd Pattamars to Bengal, Vizagapatam Ingeram and Bandarmalanka, with General Letters to all those Settlements dated this day.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1754* —

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

GEORGE PIGOT.	STRINGER LAWRENCE.	MONDAY THE 25TH.
CHARLES BODDAM.	HENRY POWNEY.	
ROBERT ORME.	ALEXANDER WYNCH.	
WILLIAM PERCEVAL.	JOHN SMITH.	

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Messrs. Orme and Wynch report the Hospital and propose some Regulation and Addition.

Messrs. Robert Orme and Alexander Wynch report that they had visited the Hospital and found that by the defects of the Buildings the Sick are greatly exposed and had suffered much from the late Inclemency of the Weather, that they complaind of Cold which can only be prevented by adding to the present Allowance of Bedding. That two Sweepers were found absolutely necessary to keep the place sweet and Clean. That the Steward complain'd he could not restrain the Sick from taking their Victuals out of the Kitchen without waiting till it was regularly delivered to them. That the necessary directions had been given to remove all these Inconveniencys, except the want of Bedding and the defects of the Buildings to which they are of opinion some advantageous Additions may be made at a moderate Expence, They also report that another Surgeons Mate is wanted at the Hospital and that the Surgeons recommend Mr. Richard Thornton as a proper person.

Another Surgeon Mate wanted.

Mr. Brohier to survey the Hospital and Report what additions are wanted.

ORDERED that Mr. John Brohier survey the Hospital and lay before the Board an Estimate of what Additions are proper to be made to it to prevent the bad Effects represented above.

Richard Thornton admitted as Surgeons Mate.

Bedds. to be provided.

AGREED that the said Mr. Richard Thornton be received and employ'd as a Surgeons Mate in the Hospital, and that proper Bedding be provided for the Patients.

General Letters read Vizt.

General Letters read from Fort St. David.

No: 211 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 9th. Instant, acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 31st. Ultº. containing our disposition of the several Employs at their Board with which they say they are well satisfy'd, enclosing their Monthly Accounts for September, acquainting Us that their Books ending April 1754 shall be finished as soon as possible, that those for 1753 have been done a considerable time but very Slovenly and incorrect, however not having been able to get them recopied they shall be sent Us as soon as they are examin'd. That the Estate of John Smith has Credit on their Books for Pags. 81. 1. 48 but was by Mistake omitted in their Accot. Quick Stock, that they will carefully observe Our Orders for regulating the Sale of Spirituous Liquors. That their Merchants continuing to bring in rather worse than better Cloth, they called them before the Board and acquainted them that they could receive no more such but in case of necessity should take in what had been turn'd out at an Abatement, to which they replied that it was impossible for them to provide better and that they could not agree to any Abatement without being very great Sufferers, they therefore desire our positive Orders how to act. That the Dragon Sloop endeavouring to get over the Bar was drove ashore to the Southward of Cuddalore where she now lyes, but as soon as the Weather will permit they will endeavour to get her off. That they are in imediate Want of a large supply of Cash. Enclosing their Accounts Proffit and Loss for 1754 Cloth on hand 100 Bales turn'd out 50 Bales.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1754* —

from Bandarmalanka.

N°. 212 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 15th. September serving only to enclose Duplicate of his Advices ℔ Sloop George.

Remittances to be made to St. David not exceeding three lacks.

AGREED that Remittances be made to Fort St. David as soon as Bills can be procured for any Sum not exceeding the Value of three Lacks of Rupees, That the Gentlemen be acquainted We think it best to receive all the Cloth their Merchants bring, keeping what they turn out in the Godown to be afterwards taken in, if there should be a necessity, at an Abatement which they are to assure their Merchants we shall insist on.

St. David Accot. Profit & Loss referred to the Accompt. to examine & report.

ORDERED that the Accounts of Profit and Loss sent from Fort St. David for Our approbation to be wrote off in their Books ending last April be referr'd to the Accountant to examine and Report.

Mrs. Medeiros requests Payment of a Bond of Pags. 25,000.

THE President acquaints the Board that Mrs. Antonia Medeiros has represented to him the great Loss she sustains by the Non Payment of the Interest due on the Bond for twenty five thousand Pagodas, which was ordered to be paid off in the Year 1752 and requests that the same may be discharg'd.

Ordered to be paid off.

AGREED that the Principal and Interest of the said Bond be dischargd and in consideration of the Loss Mrs. Medeiros has suffered by not having received any Interest for above nine Years, that the Interest be computed as follows Vizt. Interest a. 8 ℔ Cent on the Principal Sum of twenty five thousand Pagodas from the Date of the Bond being the 17th. June 1745 to the 17th. June 1752 at which time the same should have been paid off agreeable to Our Honble Masters Directions ℔ Durrington had their Cash permitted in that the said Interest be then added to the Principal, and Interest computed on the whole to this day at Eight ℔ Cent ℔ annum.

A Bond to Peter Ballieu for 5,000 Pags to be paid off.

THE Secretary lays before the Board an Extract of the will of Peter Bailleu deceas'd as far as relates to the Appointment of Executors, and also a Letter of Attorney from the Executors therein named, empowering the Reverend Father Severini to receive the Amount of a Bond due from the Company to the said Baillieu dated the 30th. September 1746.

ORDERED that the said Bond be discharg'd with the Interest due thereon to this day.

1 yrs. Interest on a Bond for 30000 Rupees to be paid Mrs. Medeiros &ca.

ORDERED that one years Interest due the 20th. Instant to Padre Severini and Mrs. Antonia De Medeiros on thirty thousand Rupees deposited in the Companys Cash @ 6 ℔ Cent, be paid them.

Mr. Thos. Taylor desires paymt. of a Bill drawn by Mr. Westgarth in his favour which have been refus'd.

Letter from Mr. Thomas Taylor read representing that on his Arrival here from Syrian he was inform'd by his Attorney that a Bill of Exchange which Mr. Westgarth had drawn in his favour for one thousand nine hundred Pagods. for four thousand seven hundred and fifty Ticals upon the President and Council, had been return'd for want of Payment, that as he supplied Mr. Westgarth with the said sum to enable him to purchase Provisions for the Negrais on which Account he requests the Bill may be paid.

is now refus'd.

THE Reason which induced the Board to refuse Payment of the abovemention'd Bill, being that Mr. Westgarth's Accounts appeared exorbitant, which made it necessary in order to indemnify the Company that they should be adjusted before any further Sums should be advanc'd Mr. Westgarth & those Accounts remaining still unsettled, the same reasons subsist, Whatever uses Mr. Westgarth may have applied the money he took up of Mr. Taylor is not material to the Company, Mr. Taylors Recourse is on Mr. Westgarth who must Account with the Company.

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The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that part of the Salt Petre laden on the Norfolk having been wetted in the Surf the loss occasion'd thereby amounted to eight Baggs or Cā. Md. lb. 2. 7. 9 ORDERED that the same be wrote off to Profit and Loss. Salt Petre lost in going on board the Norfolk to be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

ORDERED that the Accountant examine the Books of the several Subordinates and report to the Board what Accounts of Estates stand on them proper to be wrote off to Account current Fort S^{t}. George. Account. to report what Estates are on the subordinate Books.

Thomas Saunders Esq^{r}. Mint Master reads that Account for last Month Ballance then remaining in the Mint five hundred and eighty three (583) Mss. Pagod^{s}. and two hundred and one thousand four hundred and twenty five Current Pagodas, twelve fanams and thirty Cash (201425. 12. 30) which are carried forward. Mint accot. read. Monthly account read.

William Perceval Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred and ninety five Pagodas, two fanams and seventy seven Cash (595. 2. 77) which he now pays in. Land Customer.

John Smith Paymaster reads that Account for last Month. Paymaster.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}. 227	20	24
Charges Hospital	213	33	14
Peons and Servants Wages	589	34	14
Charges General	71	12	58
Charges Extraordinary	335	9	28
Repairs	901	35	8
Fortifications	526	1	41
Poonemalee &c . Villages	19	21	30
S^{t}. Thomé & c^{a}. Villages	21	33	45
Allowance of the Court of Request	12	12	—
Household Necessarys	20	—	—
Fort Marlbro	504	10	63
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Pag^{s}. ..	4094	8	5

BALLANCE due to him one thousand two hundred and forty four Pagodas, thirteen fanams and fifty three Cash (1244. 13. 53) which is carried forward.

THE Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are entered hereafter.

John Smith Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him three thousand six hundred and thirty four Pagodas, twenty six fanams and forty three Cash (3634. 26. 43) which is carried forward. Mility Paymr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him three hundred and nineteen Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and eleven Cash (319. 29. 11) which is carried forward. Mility Storekr.

THE Journal Parcells for September are likewise laid before the Board as also the Engineers Account of Expences of Fortifications and Repairs for the Month of October. Journal Parcells.

A Draught of the Accountant General by Order of the Mayors Court Account the Estate of Ralph Taylor being presented to the Board for two hundred and forty eight Pagodas, twenty seven fanams & twenty four Cash (248. 27. 24) Ordered that the same be paid. Draft from the Accot. Genl. Accot. the Estate of Ralph Taylor Orderd. to be paid.

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Sea Customr. pays Money into Cash.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in on his running Account eleven hundred (1100) Pags.

Money paid in on accot. of Gold from Europe & Rupees sold

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in from the Treasury sixty five thousand (65000) Pagodas on Account of Gold recd. from Europe and four hundred and eighty six Pagodas, seventeen fanams and forty one Cash (486. 17. 41) for Rupees sold.

Rents of the Farms pd. in.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permal Kellavah Chitty pay in the following sums Vizt.

Beetle & Tobacco.

Six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams for one Months Rent of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm due the 1st. Ulto.

Arrack & Wine Licence.

Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas and twelve fans. (333. 12) for one Months Rent of the Arrack and Licence due the 1st. Ultimo.

Advances out of Cash to the

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

Paymaster.

To the Paymaster four thousand (4000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

Milĩty Paymr. & Militry storekr.

To the Military Paymaster eight thousand (8000) Pagodas to pay the Military.

To the Military Storekeeper two hundred and fifty (250) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymaster's Account are in the following Particulars October 31st. 1754.

Charges Garrison	7	35	38
Peons and Servants Wages	213	12	14
Charges Extraordinary	335	9	28
Repairs	901	35	8
Fortifications	526	1	41
Poonemalee &ca. Villages	19	21	30
St. Thomé &ca. Villages	21	33	45
Allowances of the Court of Requests	12	12	—
Household Necessaries	20	—	—
Fort Marlbrough	504	10	63
Pagodas ..	2562	27	27

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ JOHN SMITH.
Paymr.

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Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to Fort S^{t}. David with Bills for 50000 Pagodas in favour of the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council. 27th.

Rec̃d. by Pattamars General Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 3^{d}. Instant and from Ingeram dated 8th. Instant. —

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day. 28

Rec̃d. by Tappies two General Letters from DeveCotah dated the 10th. and 15th. Instant. —

DECEMBER.

The Committee for Military Affairs and Country Government having requested an Advance of twenty thousand Rupees, to defray the Charges of a Party going out on an Expedition the same is advanc'd 1st.

Pags. fans. Ca.

the Commissary accordingly amounting to [5405–14–48].

Rec̃d. by Pattamars two General Letters from Tellicherry the first (being a Duplicate the Original whereof is not yet recd.) dated 23^{d}. October, the other dated the 3^{d}. Ult^{o}. —

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESID^{T}.

GEORGE PIGOT.	STRINGER LAWRENCE.	
CHARLES BODDAM.	HENRY POWNEY.	TUESDAY THE 3^{D}.
ROBERT ORME.	ALEXANDER WYNCH.	
WILLIAM PERCEVAL.	JOHN SMITH.	

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

THE Minutes of last Consultation read and Sign'd.

M^{r}. Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. General Letters read from Vizagaptm̃.

N^{o}. 213 from M^{r}. John Lewen Smith Provisional Chief &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 3^{d}. Ultimo, enclosing Duplicate of their last with their Monthly Papers and advising that they have supplied Viziaram Rauze with fifty Barrells of Gun powder. That their Merchants give them hopes of bringing in about one hundred and fifty Bales by Christmas, but their Performance is to be doubted from the Small quantity they have as yet produced and their Aversion to weaving the Cloth of the Lengths We have directed— Cloth on hand 17¼ Bales.

N^{o}. 214 from Foss WestCott Esq^{r}. Resident at Ingeram dated the 8th. Ult^{o}. enclosing his Monthly Accounts—Cloth on hand 21 Corge 8 pieces. Ingeram.

N^{o}. 215 and 216 from M^{r}. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah, the first dated the 10th. Inst^{t}. acquainting Us that after a good deal of pains and trouble to settle the DeveCotah Books ending April 1753 he has not been able to succeed Devecotah.

f. Ca.

for the Stock having amounted to Pag^{s}. 9137. 4. 35 out of which Stores being issued to the Amount of Pag^{s}. 5856. 12. 22. there should in reality remain no more than the value of Pag^{s}. 3280. 28. 13 but by the head of Ballance for the close of the Books, the stock appears to be Pag^{s}. 8574. 30. 54 and as the occasion of this deficiency cannot be recollected by M^{r}. Dawson or the Storehouse Conicoply, he sends us the Books thus imperfect for Our directions and in the mean time he Will be preparing those ending last April to receive the Transfer

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from the other. That the Weather has been very Tempestuous by which a breach is begun in One of the Eastern Curtains of fifty feet in bredth and the other Buildings have received so much damage as to require immediate Repair. The other is dated the 15th. November advising that the Breach in the Curtain mention'd in his last letter is considerably increas'd by the Severity of the Weather both in the Wall Parapet & Rampart, that one Side of the Hospital is entirely laid open and a part of the Barracks, Fort House and other Buildings tumbled down and other very considerable damages have been sustain'd particularly in Pybus's Pettah and other Villages which have been wash'd away, enclosing the Monthly Papers for October.

Tellicherry.

N°. 217 and 218 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry, the first (being Duplicate of the Original whereof is not yet recd.) is dated the 23d. October, and advises that a Pattamar Boat arrived there from Bombay the 20th. of that Month with Packets for Us, which they send us by Pattamars, That the Hardwicke and Warwick from England imported at Bombay the 28th. Septembr. and that the Prince Edward was also arrived there from Batavia. That they shall have in their Warehouse by the end of November 2000 Candy's of Pepper of the old Crop that the new will not be gather'd till Janry, but by the present appearance they judge they may procure about 5000 Candy more. That a French Ship named the Macgault, having lost her Passage to Pondicherry arrived at Mahie the 19th. October. The other is dated the 3d. Uto. advising that on the first of that Month two of his Majestys Ships were seen off of Calicut one of which was commanded by Admiral Watson, they were the next day seen off of Mount Dilly by which 'tis imagin'd they are gone directly to Bombay.

The Deve-Cotah Books referr'd to the Accountant.

ORDERED that the Books sent up by Mr. Hopkins from DeveCotah be referr'd to the Accountant to examine and adjust, or Report to the Board his Proceedings therein.

Estimate of the damages at Deve-Cotah to be sent up & what Repairs immediately wanted to be begun.

AGREED that Mr. Hopkins be ordered to send up Estimates of the Charges of repairing the Damages sustain'd by the late Rains, and in the mean time he may set about what is immediately necessary to be done.

Patt to be dispatch'd to Bengall.

AGREED that Pattamars be dispatch'd to Bengal with advice of the quantity of Pepper the Gentlemen at Tellicherry have on hand and expect by January.

Fort St. David Accot. Profit & Loss ending April 1754.

THE Accountant reports to the Board that he has examin'd the Accounts of Profit and Loss sent up from Fort St. David for Our approbation to be wrote off in their Books ending Ultimo April 1754 and that the several Articles appear

	Bm.	C.	M.	lb.
proper to be wrote off except those of Salt Petre	157.	18	lb.	
Redwood	44.	9.	10	

Some articles to be explain'd.

and three Garce of Rice which deficiencys seem very large and should be explain'd.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be wrote to accordingly.

Mr. Taylors Syrian Accounts referr'd to the Accountant.

ORDERED that Mr. Taylor's accounts during his Residence at Syrian &ca. be referr'd to the Accountant to examine and Report.

All the subordinate Books to be adjusted with those of the Presidency.

Several of the Subordinate Books not having been adjusted for a considerable time past with those of this Presidency ORDERED that it be done as soon as may be.

Worn out Tarpawlings to be sold at Outcry.

The Export Warehousekeeper reports that there are sundry Tarpawlins in the Godown worn out and become useless.

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ORDERED that they be sold at Outcry.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier read being a Report of what Additions he judges necessary to be made to the Hospital amounting to Eleven Pagods. but the Gentlemen who at last Consultation reported that some Additions were necessary, observe that the Alterations Mr. Brohier proposes will not answer the Intention, but that a Penthouse the whole length of the Building on both sides is necessary to prevent the Rain beating in at the windows. A penthouse to be added to the Hospital.

ORDERED that it be done accordingly.

Letter from the Register of the Mayors Court read as entered hereafter, requesting in the Name of the Court an Advance of three hundred (300) Pagodas to defray the charges attending that Corporation. 300 Pagodas advanc'd the Mayors Court for Disbursemts

AGREED that the said sum be advanc'd accordingly.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that Account for last Month Ballance then remaining in the Mint ten Arcot Rupees, twelve Annaes (10. 12) —Six hundred and seventeen (617) Madrass Pagodas, and two thousand and one Current Pagodas one fanam and ten Cash (2001. 1. 10) which have been paid into the Treasury. Mint Accot. for last mo. read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance then remaining in the Chest nineteen thousand eight hundred and five Current Pagodas, three fanams and nineteen Cash (19805. 3. 19) and five hundred and six Madrass Pagodas twenty one fanams and thirty five Cash (506. 21. 35) which is carried forward. Cash accot. read.

THE Treasury Accounts for last Month are also read, the several Ballances being Silver forty Chests and one Quarter containing eleven thousand seven hundred and eight Pounds, four Ounces and ten Penny weights (11708. 4. 10) Arcot Rupees seven hundred and fifty thousand five hundred and thirty, six Annaes and Nine Pice (750530. 6. 9) Madrass Rupees three thousand two hundred and thirty five (3235) and Current Pagodas two hundred and sixteen thousand eight hundred and sixty one and sixty Cash (Currt. Pags. 216861. –. 60) which are carried forward. Treasury Accots. for last Mo. read. Acot. for Octr. read.

Charles Boddam Export Warehouse keeper reads that Account for October Ballance due from him four hundred fifty three Pagodas, sixty fanams and fifty five Cash (453. 6. 55) which is carried forward and he now delivers over the Charge of that Employ to Mr. Robert Orme from the 1st. Instt. Export Warehouse. Mr. Boddam delivers over that Employ to Mr. Orme.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for October Ballance due from him twenty four thousand three hundred and twenty two Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty eight Cash (24322. 22. 38) which is carried forward. Import Warehouse read.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for October Ballance due from him seven thousand and seventeen Pagodas, nineteen fanams and forty four Cash (7017. 19. 44) which is carried forward. Sea Customer.

Alexander Wynch Storekr. reads that Acct. for October Ballance due from him seven hundred and thirty seven Pagodas twenty nine fanams and sixty one Cash (737. 29. 61) which is carried forward. Storehouse.

THE President acquaints the Board that he proposes to take his Passage to England on the Norfolk if nothing Extraordinary should happen before that Ship'd Dispatch to prevent him, and as his Departure may be sudden, he therefore for the greater ease and Regularity of Business delivers over to George Pigot Esqr. the Charge of the Mint (from which there is nothing due) and the Ballance of the Honble Companys Cash the 30th. Ult°. as appears by the Cash Account mention'd above and entered hereafter. He also delivers over to Mr. Pigot his Key of the Treasury, Mr. Charles Boddam likewise delivers to Mr. Orme his Key of the Treasury, and the several Ballances there having been told and found to correspond with the Accounts as minuted above, George Pigot Esqr. Messrs. Henry Powney and Robert Orme do now take Charge thereof as a Committee of Treasury. The Presidt. delivers over the Mint & Cash to Mr. Pigot & his Key of the Treasury. Mr. Boddam delivers his key of the Treasury to Mr. Orme. Messs. Pigot, Powney & Orme take charge of the Treasury as a Committee

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Mr. Medeiros lends the Company 20000 Pags. at 8 ℔ ct. ℔ ann.

Mr. Antonia Carvalho de Medeiros offering to lend the Company twenty thousand Pagodas at eight ℔ Cent ℔ Annum, it is AGREED to accept the same as the demands for the supply of the Army will be very large, the said Sum is accordingly now recd. into the Honble Companys Cash and a Bond sign'd for the same dated this day carrying Interest at eight ℔ Ct. ℔ Annum and payable on Demnd.

Interest on the China Jesuits Bond to be paid.

ORDERED that the Interest due on a Bond for twenty thousand Pagodas to the Jesuits Missionary's in China be paid to their Attorney the Reverend Father Severini.

30000 Pags. advanc'd for fine Goods.

AGREED that thirty thousand (30000) Pagodas be advanc'd to Tellisinga Chitty, Linga Chittee &c^{a}. Merchants on account of the Investm^{t}. of Fine Goods.

The Mayors Court present Messrs. John Walsh and Geo. Mackay.

The Board chuse Mr. John Walsh to be Mayor for the Year ensuing.

This being the first Tuesday in December when the Mayors Court are directed by the Charter to elect two of their Body and present them to the Presid^{t}. and Council who are to chuse one of them to be Mayor for the Year ensuing, the said Court having signify'd by a Message that they are ready to make such presentation, they are introduced and M^{r}. Andrew Munro the present Mayor acquaints the Board that the Mayors Court have chosen Mess^{rs}. John Walsh and George Mackay two of the Aldermen who are now presented accordingly, the Mayor & Aldermen then withdrew and the Board proceeding immediately to the Election of one of the two Aldermen presented, M^{r}. John Walsh is unanimously chosen to be Mayor of Madrasspatnam agreeable to the Charter for the Year ensuing.

Mr. Claud Russell appointed Sherif & Coroner for the Year ensuing.

This being the day also on which the President and Council are directed to elect a new Sherif for the ensuing year, on the Question put, M^{r}. Claud Rusell is unanimously chosen and appointed to that Office, as also to be Coroner for the Town of Madrasspatnam and it's Districts for the Year ensuing.

Mayor & Sherif elect to attend on Fryday the 20th. Inst^{t}. to take the Oaths.

ORDERED that the Secretary signify the above to the Mayors Court and the new Sherif respectively and require the attendance of the Mayor and Sherif elect on Fryday the 20th. Instant to take the Oaths and enter on their Offices.

Money paid in from the Treasury.

Henry Powney Imp^{o}. Wareh^{o}.k^{r}. pays in from the Treasury twelve thousand (12000) Pagodas on Account of Gold from Europe.

Tripoty Revenues paid in.

The Commissary pays in eight thousand (8000) Pagodas and sixteen thousand (16000) Rupees for so much recd. by him of Sanavasa Cherry Collector of the Tripoty Revenues on Acco^{t}. of the Sept^{r}. Kist, which Sums are to be carried to the Credit of Nabob Mahamud Ally Cawn.

Advance to the Commissary.

AGREED that Rupees 16000 and Pag^{s}. 2000 be advanc'd the Commissary for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
WILL^{M}. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St George, November 1754.

Madras Pagodas.

Dr.						Cr.				
1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	506	21	35	30	By Ballance carried to next Month ..	506	21	35

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.

Dr. Cr.

The Honble United Companys Cash.

1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account	P. 39816	27	59	1	By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	5000	—	—
6	To Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe ..	10000	—	—	—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military..	6540	19	37
10	To Account Currt. London recd of Captn. Donald Campbell for Permission of Passage to England on the Norfolk	30	—	—	—	By Expedition to the Negrais sent thither P. Cuddalore Sloop 36,000 fans	1000	—	—
—	To Batta gain'd by the Exchange of 1000 Pagodas in fanams at 42 ℔ Pagoda 6000 fans. a. 36 ℔ Pagoda ..	166	24	—	5	By Fort St. David remitted to the Deputy Governour and Council by Bills of Exchange as ℔ Consultation 31st ultimo	20000	—	—
25	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence recd of them one Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. Ultimo	333	12	—	—	By Batta paid the Preemium on the above remittance at ½ ℔ Ct. ..	100	—	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chittee Beetle and Tobacco Farmers, recd of them one Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. Ultimo.	666	24	—	6	By Tellasinga Chitty & Condapah Chittee advanced them on Account of the Investment	10000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Custr. recd of him on his running Account	1100	—	—	25	By Lewis du Medeiros deceased paid his Executors the Reverend Father Severini & Mrs. Antonia Medeiros in full of the President & Council's Bond to him dated 17th			
—	To William Perceval Land Customer, recd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month	595	2	77					
	Carried over ..	52708	18	56			42640	19	37

Dr. TREASURY ACCOUNTS, FORT ST GEOEGE OCTOBER 1754. Cr,

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY CASH. CONTRA.

	Brought forward ..		52708	18	56			42640	19 37
25	To Henry Powney Impo. Warehousekr. recd of him from the Treasury on Account of Gold recd from Europe ..		65000	—	—	June, 1745 as ℔ Consultation this day ye 2d. Principal ..	Pags. 25000 — —		
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho. kr. recd of him for Rups. sold		486	17	41	Intt. at 8 ℔ Cent to 17th June 1752 is 7 Years.	14000 — —		
27	To Ditto Do. recd of him from the Treasuy on Account of Gold from Europe		50000	—	—		39000 — —		
						Intt. on Pags. 39000 from 17th June 1752 to this day is yrs. m. ds. 2 4 27 @ 8 ℔ Cent ..	7514 — —		
								46514	— —
—						By Peter Ballieu deceased paid the Reverend Father Severini Attorney to the Executors of the deceased in full of the President & Council's Bond to him dated 30th Septr. 1746 as ℔ Consultation this day viz. Principal ..	Pags. 5000 — —		
						Intt. at 8 ℔ Ct. to this day yrs. m. ds. being 8 1 14.	3248 32 —		
								8248	32 —

			—	By the Revd. Father Severini & Mrs. Antonia de Medeiros paid them one Years Interest on a Bond for 30000 A & Rs. deposited in Cash @ 6 ℔ Cent being 1800 Arcot Rs. @ 370 ..	486	17	41
			—	By Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that account	250	—	—
			27	By Fort St. David remitted to the Deputy Governour & Council by Bill of Exchange	50000	—	—
			—	By Batta on the said Remittances at ½ ℔ Cent	250	—	—
			30	By Ballance carried to next Month's Account	19805	3	19
Star or Curt. Pags. ..	168195	—	17	Star or Curt. Pagodas ..	168195	—	17

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

P. THOMAS SAUNDERS.

FORT ST. GEORGE NOVEMBER 1754.

TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

Dr. Cr.

SILVER.

		lbs.	oz.	dwt.			lbs.	oz.	dwt.
Novr. 1	To Ballance brought from last month 40¼ Chests	11708	4	10	Novr. 30	By Ballance carried to next Month 40¼ Chests	11708	4	10

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

CHARLES BODDAM.

HENRY POWNEY.

Treasury Accounts—*cont.*

Arcot Rupees

Dr.						Cr.				
Novr. 1	To Ballance brought from last month ..	762031	7	9	Novr. 1	By Expedition to the Negrais ℔ Cuddalore Sloop	10000	—	—
12	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master..	298	15	—	25	By Import Warehouse keeper delivered him for sale	1800	—	—
					—	By Ballance	750530	6	9
	ARs.	762330	6	9		ARs.	762330	6	9

Errors Expected.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Rupee.

Novem^r. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	3235	—	—	Novr. 30th.	By Ballance carried to next Month ..	3235	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Current Pagodas.

Novr. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last month ..	132000	—	—	Novembr. 6	By the Honble Company's Cash paid in.	10000	—	—
4	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd of him	6000	—	—	25	By D°. d°. ..	65000	—	—
6	To D°. D°. D°.	20000	—	—	27	By D°. d°. ..	50000	—	—
9	To D°. D°. D°.	28000	—	—	30	By Ballance	216861	—	60
15	To D°. D°. D°.	30000	—	—					
19	To D°. D°. D°.	30000	—	—					
24	To D°. D°. D°.	30000	—	—					
27	To D°. D°. D°.	30000	—	—					
30	To Import Warehousekr. recd of him ..	10000	—	—					
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master being the Ballance of Gold sent to the Mint	25861	—	60					
		341861	—	60			341861	—	60

Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am ordered by the Honble Mayors Court to draw upon your Honour &ca. for the Sum of three hundred (300) Pagodas to defray the Charges attending that Corporation.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant
Daniel Morse,
Regr.

Fort St. George
Novembr. 26th. 1754.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated this day. 3d.

Recd. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 2d. Inst. 6th.

Sent by Do. Do. to Devecotah dated this day. —

Sent by Pattamars Genl. Letter to Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Bengal } dated this day.

Recd. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Devecotah dated 29th. Ulto. 7th.

Arrived Snow Charles Cuthbert Thornhill from Vizagaptm. —

Received by Pattamars General Letter fm. Bombay dated 9th. October enclosing Packets recd. there from England by the Hardwick and Warwick being Duplicates of those recd. here ℔ Warren. 9

Recd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 8th. Instant. 12

Recd by Peons General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 21st. Ultimo. —

Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, acquainting them that Mr. Cooke may be permitted to come up hither.

Recd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 10th. Instant. 14th.

Sent by Pattamars General Letters to Bombay and Tellicherry both dated this day. —

At a Consultation.

Present.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. President.
George Pigot. Stringer Lawrence.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Robert Orme. Alexander Wynch.
William Perceval. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

Monday the 16th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 3d. Instant read and sign'd.

Mr. William Perceval reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no just Cause of Complaint. Hospital reported.

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General Letters from Fort St. David.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 219, 222 and 224 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David the first dated 2^{d}. Instant accompanying a Copy of their General Books ending April 1753 and acknowledging the receit of a Letter from the Secretary enclosing Bills of Exchange for 50000 Pagodas the second dated the 8th. Instant, acknowledging the receit of Our Letters of the 28th. Ult^{o}. and 3^{d}. Inst^{t}. enclosing their Consultations and Monthly Papers and advising that having demanded of M^{r}. Cooke an explanation of the several Articles of Profit and Loss, they enclose us his Answer also Copy of another Letter from M^{r}. Cooke, representing that a further Loss had happend on the Rice since April last amounting to 1 Garce 238 Mercalls & desiring Permission to come up to the presidency which they had refused untill all his Accounts with the Company are adjusted that their Books shall be closed as soon as they have Our Orders in regard to the Accounts of Profit and Loss, that their Salem Merchants have informed them, they had a Quantity of Cloth ready, which has been stopp'd by the * Dallaways Order. The Third is dated the 10th. Instant and advises that they have purchas'd 90 Bullocks and hope in a few days to get one hundred more but despair of being able to compleat the Number of four hundred and thirty before the Cessation expires, that they are afraid they shall not be able to get the number of Tumbrills ready, no less than twelve being wanted for his Majestys Train and three for Major Heron and hope We shall be able to supply at least four, desiring our directions in regard to the List of Household Furniture sent us up sometime ago.

from Devacotah

N^{o}. 220 from M^{r}. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated 29th. November acquainting Us that he had sent the last Month's Return of the Garrison to Colonel Aldercron and shall continue to do so That M^{r}. George Dawson can be of no further service there and desires leave to return hither. That the Breach mention'd in his two last Letters is now enlarg'd to the Space of thirty Yards quite to the Ground.

from Bombay.

N^{o}. 221 From the President and Council of Bombay dated the 9th. October, advising that the Hardwick and Warwick from England imported there the 9th. Ultimo by which they recd Packets for us which they enclose and forward by the way of Tellicherry, as well as ten Acts for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, having received one hundred for Our use which they will send us as Opportunitys offer.

from Bandarmalanka.

N^{o}. 223 from M^{r}. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka serving to accompany his Accounts for October.

Gent. at St. David permitted to write off Sundrys to Profit and Loss & to provide a proper place for the Redwood.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David be permitted to write off several Articles mention'd in their Letter of the 8th. Inst. to Profit and Loss and that they be directed to provide a proper place for the Redwood, than the open Beach where it has hitherto laid.

Acco^{ts}. relating to Devecotah to April 1753 to be sent up. M^{r}. Dawson to return hither.

AGREED that M^{r}. Hopkins at DeveCotah be directed to send up all the Acco^{ts}. of that Settlement which have come to his Possession to the 30th. April 1753, AND that M^{r}. Dawson have leave to return hither from DeveCotah.

* In S. India the Commander-in-Chief of an army, *Hobson Jobson* page 292.

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Letter from the Court of Request read as entered hereafter, signifying that pursuant to the Charter they did on Thursday the 5th. Instant, Ballot out such of the Members as had served two Years, and chosen four more in their Stead whose Names are mention'd in the said Letter. Letter from the Court of Requests concerng. their Annual Election.

Letter from the Mayors Court read as entered hereafter, desiring that all the Law Books sent out by the Company may be lodg'd in the Town Hall for the use of the Mayors Court. Letter from the Mayors Court desiring the Law Books may be lodg'd in the Town Hall.

ORDERED that such Books as the Mayors Court may have occasion to refer to be delivered on a Receipt and that the Books be return'd again to the Library. Not granted but that they be deliver'd as wanted & return'd.

ORDERED that the Military Storekeeper prepare thirty Bell Tents for the use of his Majesty's Forces, and that they be supply'd with what Catouch Boxes they are in want of. Bill Tents & Cartouch Boxes for the Kings forces to be prepar'd.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Customer pays in money on that Accot.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chitty pay in the following Vizt. Rents paid in of the

Six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (666. 24) for one Months Rent of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm due the 1st. Ulto. Beetle and Tobacco farm.

Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (333. 12) for one Months Rent of the Arrack & Wine Licence due the 1st. Ulto. Arrack and Wine Licence.

One hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (166. 24.) for two Months Rent of the Measuring Duty due the 1st. Ulto. Measuring.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

WE met this day, being the first Thursday in December, and agreeable to the Tenour of His Majesty's Charter, the four Members who had served two Years Messrs. Henry Vansittart, Charles Turner, James Alexander and

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James Bourchier were removed, and in their place Messrs. John Smith, William Aldersey, Peter Marriette and John Worth[ing]ton Turner were chosen by Ballot of all of Us.

We are with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Servt[s].
HENRY VANSITTART.
JAMES ALEXANDER.
JAMES BOURCHIER.
SAMUEL ARDLEY.
MATHEW CLARKE.
CLAUD RUSSELL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 5TH. DECEMBER 1754.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Honble the Mayors Court finding it frequently necessary in the Course of their proceedg[s]. to have a more particular information of the Laws of England, in many Cases that Come before them, than is contain'd in the Book of Instructions sent out for the better regulating and carrying into Execution His Majestys Royal Charter granted to the East India Company, for which reasons the persons employ'd in drawing up those Instructions have therein thought necessary to make References to Books of Law; I am therefore directed to represent to your Honour &ca. that it would be of much use, in regulating the Proceedings of this Court, if the Law Books which have been sent out by the Honble Court of Directors, were lodg'd in the Town Hall, that the most easy and immediate Access might be had to them upon all occasions; Nor do the Court imagine that your Honour &ca. will think their desire in this respect any ways unreasonable, if it is considered, that those Books should always be in the Hands of that Court, which is most frequently under a necessity of referring to them.

Sign'd by Order of the Mayors Court.

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10TH. DECEMBR. 1754.

DANIEL MORSE,
Regr.

18th. Received by Pattamars General Letters from Bombay dated the 6th. November and from Tellicherry the 19. Ultº.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDT.

FRIDAY THE 20TH.

GEORGE PIGOT. STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. ALEXANDER WYNCH.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.
THE Minutes of last Consultation dated the 16th. Instant read and sign'd.

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General Letters read Vizt.

General Letters from Bombay &

Nº. 225 from the President and Council of Bombay dated the 6th. Ultº. acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 20th. August, enclosing ten Acts for punishing Mutiny and Desertion and an Account of the Cost of a Silver Mace sent Us ℔ Winchelsea also a Packet for Bengal which they desire us to forward.

Nº. 226 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry dated the 19th. November enclosing a Packet from Bombay, and advising that the Remains of Pepper are 1530 Candys and that there are 400 Candys of the old Crop still outstanding and their Merchants promise them 5000 Candys for the New Crop but they cannot depend on more than 3000 Candys before the Rains. That the Sandwich and Prince Edward were to be dispatch'd from Bombay to England in all that Month, and the Warwick about the same time to fill up at the Coast. Tellicherry.

ORDERED that the Export Warehº.krs. lay before the Board at the next Consultation an Accot. of what Rice the Company have in their Godown with the prime Cost therof and the present Buzar Price, that the Board may the better be able to determine whether or not to dispose of the same. The Expo. Wareho. krs. to lay before the Board an Accot. of the Rice in Store.

ORDERED that the Assay Master draw out a Calculate of the Coinage of Copper into Doodoes and Cash at such a Rate as that they may be of less intrinsic value than the Current Price of Copper valuing it at the Average Price of the last Sale. Calculate of Coinage Copper Cash to be made by the Assay Mastr.

Mr. John Walsh having been chosen the 3d. Instant to be Mayor of Madrasspatnam for the Year ensuing now takes the Oath of Allegiance and office before the President as does also Mr. Claud Russell the Oaths of Allegiance and Office as Sherif & Coroner. Mayor & Sheriff sworn in.

Mr. Alexander Wynch late Commissary lays before the Board the Nabob's Accounts Ballanc'd to the last day of October at which time Mr. Robt. Orme took Charge of the Employ. Nabob's Accots. Ballanced. to Ulto Octr. laid before the Board.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt. Advances out of Cash to the

To the Commissary six thousand (6000) Pagodas to defray the charges of the Troops abroad. Commissary.

To the Export Warehousekeeper five hundred (500) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ and that he advance the Boatmen three hundred (300) Pagodas to repair their Boats. Export Wareho.kr. &

To Tonnapah, Condapah &ca. Painters ten thousand (10000) Pagodas for painting of Chints. The Compys Painters.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in on his running Account two thousand (2000) Pagodas. Money pd. in On the Sea Customers Account Form the Treasury.

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Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in six thousand (6000) Pagodas from the Treasury on Account of Gold from Europe.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
AR. WYNCH.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

20th. This afternoon arrived His Majesty's Ships Cumberland Commodore Pocock and Tyger Captain John Latham from England.

— Recd. by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Vizagptm. dated Novr.

— Do. Do. Do. from Bengal 4th. Novr.

— Do. by Pattamar from Bengal General Letter from the SupraVizor and Council at Fort Marlbro & one from Mr. John Pybus SupraVizor both dated 24th. August.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to DeveCotah.
Do. Do. to Fort St. David. } both dated this day.

— Do. Do. to Do. dated this day.

25 His Majestys Ship Tyger being shortly bound to Fort St. David it is RESOLVED to take that opportunity of sending the Deputy Govr. and Council Two Lacks of Rupees and twenty five thousand Pags.

28th. Sailed His Majesty's Ship Tyger Captn. John Latham for Fort St. David.

29th. Sent a Letter by Tappies from the Secrety. to the Dep. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David this day.

30th — Do. by Peons General Letter to Vizagapatam Do.

Recd. by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated the 10th. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.

THURSDAY THE 31st.

GEORGE PIGOT. HENRY POWNEY.
CHARLES BODDAM. STRINGER LAWRENCE.
ROBERT ORME. ....
WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MR. WYNCH *Absent.*

THE Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

THE Minutes of last Consultation read and sign'd.

Bread & Mutton reported by Mr. Bourchier to be very bad. Mr. Charles Bourchier reports that he had visited the Hospital and that the Patients complain'd of the badness of the Bread and Mutton which on Inspection he found to be very indifferent tho' the best procurable at present.

Order thereon. ORDERED that the Patients in the Hospital be served with Rice when Good Bread is not to be had and that the Nabobs vakeel be desired to write to the *Amuldars of Chegleput &ca. to supply this Settlement with good Sheep.

* A renter, collector of revenue, *Loves Vestiges*, Vol. II, page 290.

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General Letters read vizt.

Genl. Letters read From Vizagapatam.

Nº. 227 from Mr. John Lewen Smith Provisional Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam dated Novr. acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 26th. October ℔ Hartop, which Vessell they advise having fallen in with Uppara from which place it would be sometime before she could get up to Vizagapatam they had therefore Ordered the Serjeant and seven Men of the Train We sent them to be landed there and proceed to Vizagaptm, by Land, assuring Us they will carefully observe our directions & have accordingly given Orders in regard to curing of their Cloth and the lengths and Bredths, that they think they may be able to send us near 150 Bales in Janry. That Nabob Mahamed Mohein's Cawn's Family had left that place to proceed to Hyderebad where the Nabob is, at their departure they express'd a Gratefull Sense of the Civilities shewn them. That Viziaram Rauze had wrote to Mr. Smith that he had settled with Mr. Bussie and refused any longer to Rent the Provinces of Chicakul and Rajahmundrum, that therefore Mr. de Bussie would appoint two other Governours, that a day or two after one Ibrahim Gordee arrived at Casim Cota with about 4000 Seapoys, assumed the Character of Nabob, acquainted Mr. Smith of his being appointed to that Dignity and desired that the usual Presents of Cloth might be sent him, that Mr. Smith's Answer was in General terms in which he avoided giving him the Titles he claim'd, desiring our Orders how to act in case he shou'd insist on being acknowledg'd. Enclosing Monthly Papers. Cloth on hand 88 Bales.

Nº. 228 from the President and Council of Fort William dated the 4th. November acknowledging the receit of Our Letter of the 14th. and 19th. Septr. by which they observe they are likely to have three Ships more than they expected to be employ'd from thence and they are at a loss on what Voyages to send them, that they apprehend they may provide for two on Freit to Surat for the Compys Accot. and if there should be no offers for letting the rest to Freit agreeable to the Compys directions, they will send them up to us in Janry. with Grain if procurable, that they are inform'd by Private Advices the Colchester is coming down to them and that We are determined to dispatch the Norfolk home, that they are much surprized at this Conduct as it increases the Tonnage to be provided for, there this Season, that they should not have taken Notice of Our Conduct in this respect had there been an absolute Necessity to dispatch the Norfolk, but as the Winchelsea Captain Baron (one of last Years Shipping) touched here she might have been detain'd for that purpose. That as We have not requested a Ship for the Surplus Pepper at Marlbro they had been induc'd to open two Packets from that Settlement directed to us and recd. ℔ Speedwell, by which they observe it is likely there will be 250 Tons of Pepper, and they propose to station a Ship of last Year to take it in. That Mr. Knapton lately died there. Enclosing the Packets from the West Coast. from Bengal.

Nº. 229 from Mr. John Pybus SupraVizor &ca. Council at Fort Marlbro and Nº. 230 from Mr. John Pybus SupraVizor seperately both dated the 24th. August and recd. via Bengal by Pattamar giving an Account of the Occurrences in the Compys. Affairs since their last Advices by the Orange Tree Sloop. From For Marlbro.

Nº. 231. from Mr. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated the 10th. Instant enclosing the Monthly Accounts of that Settlement for November Cloth on hand 88 Corge 8 pieces. From Ingeram.

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Messrs. Powney Orme and Perceval Committee for the West Coast Affairs Letters referr'd to them.

AGREED that Messrs. Henry Powney Robert Orme and William Perceval be a Committee for Affairs relating to the West Coast of Sumatra and that the two Letters from thence read in Consultation this day be referr'd to them to examine and report.

Mr. Greenslate to proceed to the West Coast & Monthly writers may be employed.

Writing Assistants being wanted at the West Coast AGREED that Mr. Philip Francis Greenslate proceed thither as such by the next Conveyance and that the Gentlemen there be permitted to employ Monthly Writers when occasion absolutely requires it.

Letter from the Court of Requests relating to the Appointment of Commors & a Complaint agt. Mr. Ross.

Letter from the Court of Requests read representing that Mr. John Smith who had been Ballotted in agreeable to the Charter to be a Commissioner of that Court for the Current Year having declin'd the office they had been under a Necessity of appointg. Mr. Peter Donnes to supply his place, and as they have no power to enforce their Appointments they request that it may be recommended to the Notice of the Company, also complaining of an Insult offered to that Court by Mr. Andrew Ross, who stopp'd their Beadle took from him a Note relating to Business of the Court and made a copy of it, submitting it to the Board to take such Notice of his Conduct in this Respect as should be thought proper.

The first to be recommended home and the Presidt. to enquire concerning Mr. Ross.

AGREED that such part of the said Letter relates to the Appointment of Commissioners be recommended to the Company, and that it be referr'd to the President to enquire into the Complaint against Mr. Ross and to reprimand him if he be found Culpable.

Samples of the Compys. Grain produc'd.

THE Export Wareho.kr. lays before the Board Samples of Rice and Paddy for Store in the Companys Godowns, and reports that the present Market price is considerably less than what was given last Year for the Grain now on hand.

To be sold at the Market price & replac'd with this years Grain.

ORDERED that the whole quantity of Grain now in Store be sold for the most it will fetch and that it be replac'd with the same Quantity of this Years produce.

Bengal to be wrote to concerning Sundry Deficiencys in their Consigumt ℔ Ganges.

Mr. Charles Boddam late Expo. Wareho.kr. reports that on examining the Gunnies and Rope consign'd to this Presidency by the Gentlemen at Bengal ℔ ship Ganges, there appear to be deficient 213 ps. of Gunnies and one Candy, fifteen maunds and twenty three pounds of Rope, amounting to thirty three Pagodas, twenty six fanams and thirty six Cash.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Bengal be advised thereof that the same may be recover'd from the Owners of the Ganges.

Mr. John Browning appointed Under Expo Warehokr. & Mr. George Dawson Assistant.

AGREED that Mr. John Browning notwithstanding his being appointed Register of the Sea Gate continue to be under Export Warehousekeeper and that Mr. George Dawson be also Station'd as an Assistant in the said Warehouse.

Oppiah confin'd ever since 1752 upon an Accusation of Murther to be sent.

The President represents to the Board that one Oppiah having been sent up hither from Vizagapatam in September 1752 upon an Accusation of having murther'd a Dutch Peon, the Circumstances and Proofs of which were then very Strong, but as he could not at that time be brought to a regular Tryal and the Witnesses not being now to be found he desires the Sentiments of the Board.

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Compy's Bounds to be survey'd.

AGREED that the said Oppyah be sent to the West Coast of Sumatra by the next Opportunity.

ORDERED a Survey of the Company's Present Bounds of Madrass and its' Districts be made by Messrs. Hume and Sausure under the direction of Mr. Brohier.

Monthly Accot. Read Expo. Warehouse

Charles Boddam late Export Warehokr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him seventy four Pagodas, eight fanams and seventy five Cash (74. 8. 75) which he now pays in.

Import Warehouse.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him nine thousand two hundred and sixty three Pagodas, fourteen fanams and fifty Cash (9263. 14. 50) which is carried forward.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him twelve thousand two hundred and eighty eight Pagodas one fanam and twenty five Cash (12288. 1. 25) which is carried forward.

Land Customer.

William Perceval Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him eighty five Pagodas, three fanams and three Cash (85. 3. 3) which he now pays in.

Paymaster.

John Smith Paymaster reads that account for last Month.

Charges Garrison	P.	235	13	28
Hospital charges		230	18	60
Peons & Servants Wages		502	11	40
Charges General		70	16	15
Charges Extraordinary		231	9	9
Repairs		820	2	34
Fortifications		191	17	20
Poonemalee &ca. Villages		19	10	40
St. Thomé &ca. Villages		21	25	40
Allowance of the Court of Requests		12	12	—
Charges cattle		66	24	—
Charges diet		583	12	—
		2984	28	46

Ballance due from him seven hundred and seventy Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and sixty one Cash (770. 29. 61) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are entered hereafter.

Milĩty Paymr.

John Smith Military Paymaster reads that Account for last Month Ballance due to him three thousand and eighty seven Pagodas, thirty fanams and eighteen Cash (3087. 30. 18) which is carried forward.

Milĩty Storekr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him fifty seven Pagodas, thirty one fanams and sixty one Cash (57. 31. 61) which is carried forward.

Journal Parcels. Engineers Accot.

The Journal Parcels for October are laid before the Board as also the Engineers Account of Expences of Fortifications and Repairs for the Month of November.

Letter from Capt. Bonham giving Notice when his Demorage commences.

Letter from Captain Pinson Bonham dated the 17th. Instant read serving as Notice that the Ship Norfolk enters on demorage that day, ORDERED that the said Letter be entered hereafter.

Sea Custr. pays in on that Accot.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in six thousand one hundred Pagodas on his running accot.

Money pd. in from the Treasury.

Henry Powney Impo. Warehokr. pays in from the Treasury ten thousand (10000) Pagodas on Accot. of Gold from Europe.

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AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

Commissary. To the Commissary ten thousand (10000) Pagodas to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Export Warehousekr. To the Export Warehousekr. five hundred (500) Pagodas for the Disbursements of that Employ.

Paymastr. To the Paymaster three thousand (3000) Pagodas for disbursements in that employ.

Military Paymastr. & To the Military Paymaster five thousand two hundred and seventy Pagodas, nine fanams and fifty eight Cash (5270. 9. 58) to pay the Military.

Mility Storekr. AND To the Military Storekr. six hundred Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

Extraordinary expences in the Paymasters Accounts are in the following Particulars November 30th. 1754.

Charges Garrison	7	29	4
Hospital Charges	16	21	46
Charges Extraordinary	231	9	9
Repairs	820	2	34
Fortifications	191	17	20
Poonemalle &ca. Villages	19	10	40
St. Thomé &ca. Villages	21	25	40
Allowance of the Court of Requests	12	12	—
Pagodas ..	1320	19	33

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ JOHN SMITH,
Paymr.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I must beg leave to acquaint your Honours that the Ship Norfolk enters on Demorage this seventeenth day of December one thousand seven hundred and fifty four.

I am
Your Honours most Obedient Hum. Servt.
PINSON BONHAM.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
17TH. DECEMBER 1754.

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LIST OF THE HONBLE COMPYS REVENUES AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

POONEMALLEE COUNTRY—			
The Farm let to Rayal Pundat for one year commencing 1st. July 1754 ending 1st. July 1755 at two half Yearly Payments	..	44000 — —	
POONEMALLE JAGUEER—			
The Farm let to Rayal Pundat for 11 Months commencing 1st. August 1754 ending 1st. July 1755 after the rate of 4200 Pagodas ℔ Ann being for 11 Months	3850 — —		
Deduct a pension payable thereout to the Widow and Brother of the late Killedar at the rate of 1000 Pag. ℔ Ann being for 11 Months ..	916 24 —		
		2933 12 —	
ST. THOMÉ—			
The Farm let to Subramoney Moodelair & Linga Chitty for five Years & six Months commencing 1st. December 1750 ending Ulto. May 1756 at two equal half Yearly payments	..	4000 — —	
EGMORE &CA. VILLAGES—			
The Farm let to Gruah for six Years commencing primo Septembr. 1749 ending Ulto. August 1755 at one Annual payment	..	1450 — —	
THE COMPANY'S OLD GARDEN—			
The Farm let to Moodoo for one Year Commencing 12th. Decembr. 1754 ends. the 11th. December 1755 at two half Yearly payments..	..	196 — —	
PERREMBORE &CA. VILLAGES—			
The Farm let to Gruapah for six Years commencing primo Septembr. 1749 ending Ulto. August 1755 at one Annual payment	..	700 — —	
TRIVITORE &CA. VILLAGES—			
The Farm let to Linga Chittee for six Years commencing primo Septr. 1749 ending Ulto. August 1755 at one Annual payment	..	1300 — —	
PADDY FIELDS AND SALT PANS—			
The Farm let to Pombavay Vellapah for 1 Year commencing 12th. Dec. 1754 ending 11th. December 1755 at two equal half Yearly paymts. ..	..	502 — —	
BEETLE AND TOBACCO FARM—			
The Farm let to Pitloor Vencaty Kistna and Permall Kellava Chittee for five Years commencing 1st. March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at 12 Monthly payments	..	8000 — —	
ARRACK AND WINE LICENCE—			
The Farm let to Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chitty for 5 Years commencing 1st March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at 12 monthly paymts.	..	4000 — —	
	Carried over ..	67081 12 —	

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WEIGHING AND MEASURING DUTY—		Brought forward			67081	12 0
The Farm let to Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permall Kellava Chittee for 5 Years commencing 1st. March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at six equal payments					1000	— —
TOWN BROKERAGE—						
The Farm let to Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permall Kellava Chittee for five Years commencing 1st. March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at two half Yearly payments					700	— —
BANKSALL DUTIES—						
The Farm let to Mootiah for five Years commencing 1st. June 1752 ending 1st. June 1757 at two half Yearly payments					400	— —
VARIABLE REVENUES from 1st. Janry to the 31st. December 1754.	Mss. Pags.	C. Pags.	fa.	ca.		
MINT CUSTOMS	784	1309	6	70		
SEA CUSTOMS		37451	31	33		
LAND CUSTOMS		6276	24	7		
QUIT RENT the Amot. of the Assessmts. to be collected ending the 31st. August 1753		1569	3	—		
		Currt. Pags. ..			46606	29 30
	Mss Pags. ..	784	Currt. Pags.		115788	5 30
The Following COUNTRYS mortgag'd by NABOB MAHOMED ALLY CAWN to the Company towards the Discharge of his Debt to them are let as under Vizt.						
CHINGALAPUT—						
This Country is let to Oppagee Nayenar for two Years commencing the 1st. August 1754 and ending 31st. July 1756 at the Rent of 22000 Pags. for the first Year and 32500 Pags. for the Second Year, payable at half Yearly payments		22000	—	—		
COVELONG—						
This Country is let to Pushponatha Nayenar for one Year commencing 1st. August 1754 ending 31st. July 1755 payable at half Yearly payments		8000	—	—		
MANAMANGALUM—						
This Country is let to Oppajee Nayenar for one Year commens. 1st. August 1754 ending 31st. July 1755 payable at half Yearly Payments		14000	—	—		
SEVEN MAGANS of the TRIPOSSORE COUNTRY—						
This District is let to Pushponatha Nayenar for one year commencing 1st. August 1754 ending 31st. July payable at half Yearly payments		20000	—	—		
	Pagodas ..	6[4000]	—	—		

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FORT ST. GEORGE 31st. DECEMBR. 1754.

JOSIAS DU PRÉ
Secretary.

List of Inhabitants not in the Honble Companys Service Anno 1754.

Men.	Time of Arrival.	Ships they came out in	Whether with or without the Companys Licence.		Married women.	Widows.
Nicholas Morse ..	29th. July 1753.	Elizabeth ..	Free Merchant ..		Francis Boddam ..	Hannah Greenaugh.
Samuel Greennaugh.	2d. June 1729.	Duke of York.	Dº. Late a Compys. servant.	absent ..	Florentia Wynch ..	Mary Powney.
John Edwards ..	7th. August 1736.	Shaftesbury..	Free Merchant ..		Ann Bourchier ..	Phoebe Grayham.
George Mackay ..	August 1738.	Duke of Cumberld.	Dº. ..		Emelia Vansittart.	Antonia De Medeiros.
Solomon Salomons.	20th. July 1739.	Grantham ..	Dº. ..		Mary Munro ..	Grace Mansell.
Solomon Franco ..	30th. Septembr. Bby. 1743.	Princess of Wales.	Dº. ..		Lucy Muriell ..	Ann Walton.
Ephraim Isaac ..	11th. Decembr. 1745.	Kent ..	Dº. ..		Ann Demarr ..	Mary Northleigh
Samuel Moses ...	26th. Septr. Bengal 1746.	Marlbro ..	Dº. ..		Catherine De la Mittrie.	
Norton Nicholls ..	8th. Septr. 1749.	Severn ..	Dº. ..	absent ..	Mary Taylor ..	
David Lopez Fernandes. Samuel De Castro.	4th. July ..	Britannia ..	Dº. ..		Rachael Beaver ..	
William Roberts..	6th. July (St. David) 1750.	Lynn ..	Dº. ..		Sarah Cosby ..	
Andrew Ross ...	16th. June 1752.	Colchester ..	Dº. ..		Leonora Jackson ..	
Francis Muriel ..	24th. July 1753.	Falmouth ..	Dº. ..		Mary Duffield ..	
Edmund Massey ..	29th. July..	Elizabeth ...	Dº. ..	absent ..	Unmarried women.	children.
James Munro ..	24th. June.	Boscawen ..	Dº. ..			
Francis Barnewall.	17th. August 1754.	Norfolk ...	Dº. ..		Honoria. Summerville.	William .. Wynch.
William Belches ..	Dº. 1750.	London ...	Dº. ..		Ann ..	Alexander.. Wynch.

Men.	Time of arrival.	Ships they came out in	Whether with or without the Comyany's Licence.		Unmarried women.	Children.
John Worth Turner.	7th. July 1754.	York ..	D°.	..	Sarah Stratton ..	Robert.
Peter Marriette ..	D°.	D°.	D°.	..	Frances De la Mittrie.	Robert Duncan. Hugh John. } Munro.
Edward Burman.	14th. D°. 1736.	Grantham ..	With the Company's Licence.	..	..	John Thomas } Beaver.
Peter Downes ..	5th. October Bengal 1750.	Benjamin ..	D°.	..	..	Ann Jane
Thomas Forrest ::	7th. July 1754.	York ..	D°.			
Robert Wauch ..	Bby 1752.	Royal Duke.	D°.	absent.	..	John Taylor.
John Newcombe.	3d. July 1753.	Montfort ..	D°.			Lewis Frances } Dencher.
Peter Eckman ..	August 1706.	Phoenix ..	In the Military ..	..	..	
John De Morgan.	11th. July 1710.	Bouvery ..	D°.	..	..	Margaritta Aurora .. [Munro]
Thomas Savage ..	24th. Septemb. 1740.	Durrington ..	Without the Companys Licence.	..	..	Cathne. } De La Mittre.
Matthew Lynch	1749.	At Manilha ..	D°. and is employ'd between that place and this.	absent ..	..	Jane
Christopher Oliphant.	11th. May 1751.	St. George (4th. Mate).	D°. left behind Sick ..	D°. ..	..	...
Thomas Tayler ..	21st. Septr. 1742.	Shaftesbury.	D°.	..	..	
John Standard ..	31st. Decembr. 1716.	Sarum (Bby)	by Govr. Boons permission.	..	..	Grace Mary Demarr.
Nathaniel Hamond.	1735.	Defence ..	Left behind sick, now Captn. of the Company's sloop Cuddalore.	..	..	Frances Elizabeth Maria } Dencher. Sophia Wynch.
John Slandon ..	7th. Febry 1745/6.	Midway Man of War.	Taken prisoner in the Expedition Prize.	..	..	..
Francis Taylor ..	Bengall 1747.	Tryal Sloop.	Captain of said Vessell.	..	..	..
John Spratt ..	1748 ..	Winchelsea (surgeon).	Stranded at Fort St. David 1749.	absent.	..	..

Men.	Time of Arrival.	Ships they came out in.	Whether with or without the Companys Licence.		Unmarried women.	Children.
Robert Sutherland.	1749 ..	Tartar man of war.	Discharged & now in the country service	absent ..	..	..
.. ..						
James Bond ..	29th. July 1753.	Elizabeth ..	Dº. to remain in India by order of consultation.	Do. ..	..	..
Robert Todd ..						
George Smith ..	15th. May 1754.	St. George ..	Without the Compys Permission.	..	..	..
Robert Jackson.			Employ'd in the . . . Country service.	absent ..	..	..
John Murphy ..						
Robert Ivie ..						
Thomas Duffield.	June 1748.	Edgecote ..	In the Royal Train under Major Goodeere & now employ'd as Master Carpentr.	..	..	..
Hendrick Smith.	7th. Febry. 1741.	Caesar ..	Engag'd in the Milty Service served his contracted time & got his discharge.	..	..	..
[Pe]ter Dencker ..	20th. July 1726.	Cadogan Bencoolen.	Do.	..	..	..
Ralph Taylor ..	12th. June 1750.	Hardwick ..	With the Compys Licence.	..	..	..
John Palmer ..	1st. August 1746.	Bombay Castle.	Without Dº. ..	..	..	..
Samuel Troutback.	14th. Novr. 1719.	King George.	Cast away near Sadrass & has since been in the Country service.	..	..	..
Isaac Merrigeort.	1738.	Liel	The Ship being Stranded he remain'd in the country service but is now attv. of the M. Court.	..	..	..
[Aug]ust. Macklin.	16th. April 1746.	Princess Mary.	Taken prisoner by the French left in India & now employ'd as Master Carpentr. in the Company's works.	..	..	..
[Quentin] De la Mettrie.		Via Pondicherry.	Without the Compys Licence.	..	..	..

List of the Honourable Company's Covenant Servants on the Coast of Choromandel 1754.

Persons names.	Time of arrival.	Commencement of Rank.	Station at arrival.	Salary at arrival.	Present station.	Present Establishment.	Present Employment.	Salary	Grade.	Age.
Thomas Saunders	14th. July 1732.		Writer.	5	Governour	Fort S . George.	President of the Council Cash keeper & Mint Mastr.	200	100	41
George Pigot ..	26th. July 1737.		Do.	5	2d. of Council.	Do.	Deputy Govt.	100	—	35
Alexr. Heron. ..	12th. Sept. 1754.		Major	250	3d. of Council.	Do.	Major (now at Camp)	250	—	
Richard Starke ..	29th. Septr. 1735.		Writer entd.	5	4 of Do.	Fort St. David.	Deputy Govr.	100	—	[33]
Charles Boddam ..	13th. March 1737.		Do.	5	5 of Do.	Vizagapatam.	Chief	40	—	[37]
Henry Powney	7th. August. 1736.		Do.	5	6 of Do.	Fort St. George.	Import Warehousekr. & Sea Customer,	40	—	[37]
Robert Orme ..	12th. Sept. 1754.		7 of Coun.	40	7 of Do.	Do.	Export Wareh . kr, Accountand [sic] & Com to keep the Nabobs Accot.	40	—	[28]
Foss Westcott ..	7th. Febry. 1740/1.		Writer entd.	5	8 of Do.	Ingeram	Resident.	40	—	32
Alexander Wynch	15th. Augst. 1740		Do. Do.	5	9 of Do.	Fort St. George	Storekeeper	40	—	[33]
William Perceval	18th. Janry. 1745/6.		Factor Do.	15	10 of Do.	Do.	Land Customer	40	—	49
Thomas Cooke ..	15 August 1740.		Writer Do.	5	11 of Do.	Do.	Suspended the Service.			
John Smith ..	15 August 1740.		Writer	5	12 of Do.	Do.	Paymaster & Military Paymaster.	40	—	[30]
Charles Bourchier	30th. Decembr. 1741.		Do.	5	13 of Do.	Do.	Military Storekr. Rental General & Scavenger.	—	—	[26]
Edward Croke ..	18th. Jany 1708.		Do.	5	Senr. Mercht.	Fort St. David	....		200	
Dawsonne Drake	18th. July 1742.	18th. July 1742.	Do.	5	Do.	Fort St. George	Upper Searcher at the Sea Gate.	40	—	[30]
John Walsh ..	20th. June 1743	20th. June 1743.	Do.	5	Do.	Do.	Under Searcher Do.	40	—	28
John Andrews ..	Do.		Do. entd.	5	Do.	Madapollam	Resident	40	—	[40]
John Pybus ..	28th. June		Do.	5	Do.	Fort Marlbro	SupraVizor	40	—	[26]

Hugh Norris ..	1st December 1744.	1st. Decr. 1744.	Writer entd.	5	Junior Mercht.	Fort St. David ..	Expo. & Impo. Wareho.kr. Accompt & Paymaster ..	30	—	26
Samuel Ardley ..	28th. April 1749.	28th April 1749.	Factor ..	15	Do.	Fort St. George ..	Under the Land Customer & Regr. of the Choultry ..	30	—	29
Robt. Sloper ..	8th. Septembr.	8th. Sepr.	Do. entd.	15	Do.	Fort St. David ..	Sea & Land Customer of Cuddalore.	30	—	51
Edward Edwards.	Do.		Do.	15	Do.	Fort St. George ..	Assaymaster ..	30	80	29
Henry Vansittart.	5th. Novr. 1746.		Writer ..	5	Do.	Do. ..	Secretary to the Secret Committee and Translator ..	30	30	22
John Starke ..	6th. April 1747.	8th. Octr. 1746.	Do. ..	5	Do.	Fort St. David ..	Under Paymaster ..	30	—	24
Richd. Fairfield ..	8 Octobr. 1746.		Do. ..	5	Do.	Do. ..	Storek. Military Storek. & Secretary	30	—	24
Charles Turner ..	14th. Febry. 1747.		Do. ..	5	Do.	Do. ..	Sea & Land Customer of Tevenaptm & Mility Paymaster	30	—	22
Charles Hopkins ..	1st. Jany. 1750.	1st. Jan. 1750.	Factor entd.	15	Factor ..	Devecotah ..	Chief	15	—	48
Josias Dupré ..	10th. June 1752.		Do.	15	Do. ..	Fort St. George ..	Secretary, Sollicitor & Clerk of the peace	15	55	33
John Browning ..	17 Do.		Do.	15	Do. ..	Do. ..	Regr. of the Sea Gate	15	—	43
Jas. Alexander ..	8th. July ..	10th. June 1752.	Do.	15	Do. ..	Do. ..	Sub Accot. Book kr. of Deposits from the Mayors Court.	15	120	24
John Smith ..	10th. August.		Do.	15	Do. ..	Do. ..	Under paymaster ..	15	—	45
John Lewen Smith.	Do.		Do.	15	Do. ..	Vizagapatam ..	2d. of Council ..	15	—	28
Andrew Newton ..	17th June..		Do.	15	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	At present at the Court of Tanjour.	15	—	26
Charles Saunders.	8th July ..		Do.	15	Do. ..	Do. ..	Steward	15	—	29
Daniel Morse ..	28th Do. ..		Do.	15	Do. ..	Fort St. George ..	Regr. of the Mayors Court	15	20	20
Charles Simpson ..	[27 May 1751.]	..	Writer ..	5	Writer ..	Do. ..	Under the Accountant	5	—	22

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[Stratton]		...	Writer ...	5	Writer ..	Dº. ..	Under the Secrety & Clerk of the Court of Request.	5	19	20
Philip Fra^{s}. Greenslate.	27th. May	..	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Under the Scavenger but to proceed to the West Coast.	5	—	19
George Dawson ..	7th. July ..		Writer ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Under the Export Warehousek^{r}.	5	—	21
Marmaduke Best.	Dº. ..	27th. May 1751.	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Vizagapatam ..	3^{d}. of Council ..	5	—	22
Matthew Clarke ..	Dº. ..		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Fort S^{t}. George..	Under the Secretary.	5	—	19
James Bourchier..	12th. June.		Dº. ent^{d}.	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Under the Import Wareh^{o}. k^{r}.	5	—	22
Henry Brooke ..	9th. August.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Negrais	Chief	5	—	26
John Carey ..	Dº.	12th. June 1751.	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Fort S^{t}. David ..	Under the Accountant.	5	—	21
John Calland ..	7th. July ..		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Ingeram	Assistant	5	—	19
Thomas Maunsell.	9th. August.		Dº. ..	5	Dº.– ..	Fort S^{t}. David ..	Commissary at Camp.	5	—	20
Richard Buchinden.	12th. June 1752.	..	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Devecotah ..	Assistant	5	—	21
Hen. Eus. Johnson.	8th. July ..		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Fort S^{t}. George..	.. ..	5	—	20
John Whitehill ..	3^{d}. August.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Under the Accountant.	5	—	19
Claud Russell ..	7^{d}. June ..	12th. June 1752.	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Sub-Secrety and Accountant Gen^{l}. of the Mayors Court	5	20	21
George Dolben ..	12th. June.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Madapollam ..	Assistant	5	—	21
John Perceval ..	3rd. August.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Fort S^{t}. David ..	Lieu^{t}. at Camp ..	5	—	19
Thomas Rumbold.	12th. June.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Dº. dº. and Quarter Master.	5	—	19
George Pyne ..	24th. July 1753.	..	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Fort S^{t}. George ..	Under the Secretary.	5	—	22
Charles Smith ..	11th. July.		Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Dº.	5	—	19
Alexander Dalrymple.	11th. May.	11 May 1753.	Dº. ..	5	Dº. ..	Dº. ..	Dº.	5	—	17

John Davidson ..	9th. June.		Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do. to the Secret Committee	5	—	20
Samuel Johnson ..	8th. June 1754.		Do. ..	5	Writer ..	Do. ..	Do. Do.	5	—	17
Waldegrave Pelham.	13th. June.	8th. Jnne 1754.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do.	5	—	20
James Macarmich.	17th. August.		Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Under the Accountant.	5	—	29
James Broadbent.	13th. June.		Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David	Under the Secretary there.	5	—	21
William Aldersey.	8th. June.	8th. June 1754.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George	Under the Secretary to the Secret Committee.	5	—	19
Robert Dowsett ..	7th. July ..		Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David	Under the Export Warehousekr.	5	—	17

The Reverend Mr. Saml. Stavely
The Reverend Mr. Robert Palk. } Chaplains.

Andrew Munro.
Robert Turing. } Surgeons.

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